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HEAVY AXIS LOSSES ON LIBYAN FRONT

15,000 PRISONERS TAKEN: GAMBUT FALLS TO ALLIES

Germans Rush Supplies By Air From Greece & Italy

FROM BATTLE OF TANKS TO HAND-TO-HAND FIGHTING

CAIRO, November 24.

A British G. H. Q. "communique" on Monday announces "the main battle between the British and German forces has continued in the area about Sidi Rezegh. This battle which is being fought with the utmost resolution by both sides has been in progress without cessation for over 48 hours.

GAMBUT CAPTURED

Meanwhile, the New Zealand forces which had captured Sidi Azeiz and Capuzzo have continued their move westwards along the Trigh-Capuzzo road and captured Gambut an important enemy supply centre halfway between Tobruk and Bardia.

In the Halfaya-Sidi Omar area, Indian troops continue their operations in the rear of the enemy offensive positions which are at present cut off from the west.

The British forces from Tobruk are consolidating the ground they have taken. They report the capture among other material of a number of enemy field guns. In connection with the tank battle our forces continued their successful bombing and machinegun attacks on the enemy armed forces and mechanical transport concentrations in the battle area."

GERMANS RUSH SUPPLIES

The Germans are reported to be hurrying supplies and reinforcements by air to Libya from Greece and Italy and even Germany and possibly Russia and by using gliders from Crete, reconditioned after use there, as well as big troop-carrying planes.

Nevertheless, it seems unlikely that the Germans can land any big number of troops or large supplies this way, particularly not the supplies which they badly want, namely tanks and petrol.

Royal Air Force domination will also hamper these air communications. According to one unconfirmed report, General Rommel was in Crete when the offensive started and had to hurry back by air having been taken by surprise.

15,000 Axis Prisoners Taken

The estimate that 15,000 Axis prisoners have already been taken is current in Cairo but hitherto it has been impossible to confirm from authoritative sources.

It is observed however that in the present stage of the battle, it is impossible to accurately count prisoners who are slowly making their way to the rear along lines of communication. A considerable number has been taken but authorities here are awaiting precise enumeration before passing any further estimates because, there is always a possibility of the same group being counted twice by different units.

It should be remembered that the offensive stage of a tank battle is not normally marked by large numbers of prisoners who will begin to come in when infantry following tanks get to grips with Axis troops.—Reuter.

Indian Troops' Record

LONDON:—Reports to the British press this morning announce that in capturing Sidi Omar south of Sollum, Indians took at least 8,000 prisoners of whom the great majority are Italians though there were a few Germans among them.

The headquarters established at Sidi Omar also fell into the hands of Indian troops.

Fighting On Bardia-Sollum Front

LONDON:—The passage of the German 'communique' dealing with Libya fighting states that violent fighting on the Bardia-Sollum front is still in progress.

Rome On Axis Handicaps

An admission that it is impossible to foresee how the battle in Libya would develop was made by the Rome Radio this morning. At the same time the difficulties of the Axis forces were emphasised. The announcer explained that the Axis troops were in the nature of an expeditionary force far from their own country with their lifelines threatened. "They have been dumped in a land without resources and with no modern disembarkation facilities", he said.

"The battle in Marmarica (Cyrenaica) has now been going on since November 18 and it is still impossible to see how it will develop. But at any rate, the operations so far have made clear the strenuous nature of both attack and defence. The lines of contact in this desert region are thinly held by observation posts. It follows therefore that it is very easy for the enemy to make his first advance.

Hand-To-Hand Fighting

CAIRO:—"For the last forty-eight hours there have been concentrated tank battles but tanks are getting fewer and infantry are coming into it more and more on both sides", stated a spokesman to-day. "There has been considerable hand-to-hand fighting and it is probable that bayonets have been used.

The spokesman said that a tremendous tank battle had now been going on for 48 hours around Sidi Rezegh with the fighting swaying over a vast area but it was still difficult to accurately assess the results. Both sides were doing their damnedest, the Germans fighting most bitterly.

He continued: "In many ways the battle is like a gigantic dog-fight with an enormous swirling mass of men and machines in dust around Sidi Rezegh. No doubt it is a very bitter battle both sides putting everything into it. This show means a great deal to German prestige and they are fighting very hard.

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Latest From Libyan Front

CAIRO, Nov. 24.

South Africans have gone into action near Sidi Rezegh and have participated in severe hand-to hand fighting.

In addition to the action of New Zealanders in widening the wedge between Gambut and Bardia, the Tobruk garrison is steadily consolidating its positions and narrowing the gap south of Tobruk which, according to some reports is now only four miles wide. Indians are still working round the enemy held in the Halfaya-Sidi Omar area. As well as these south Africa troops are participating in the fighting. Gambut aerodrome if not already actually occupied should now be useless to the enemy. The arc in which the battle is now raging is very broken with two escarpments very near and innumerable wadis or valleys running to the sea and not a very good area for big tanks. It will not be easy for either side to disengage from such a bitterly fought battle.—Reuter.

"S" UNDER BR. ARTILLERY FIRE.

LONDON:—The position "S" south of Gondar is now under British artillery fire.—Reuter.

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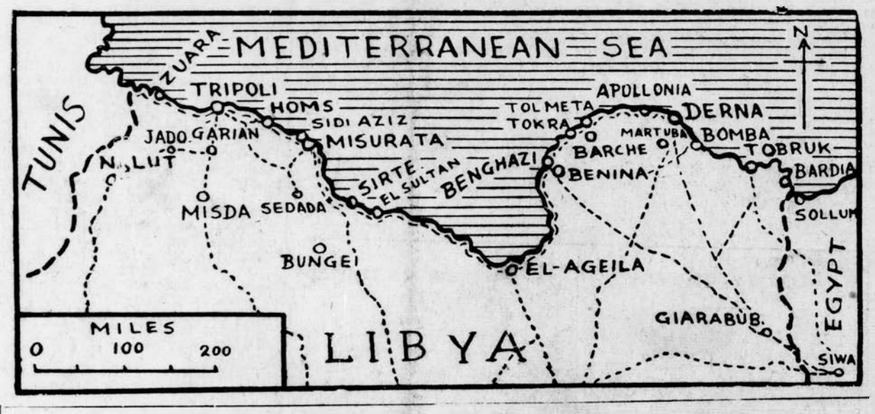

RUSSIANS RECAPTURE LOST POSITIONS

Nazis On Retreat In Volkhov Sector

Spanish Blue Division Routed On Leningrad Front

KUJBISHEV, Nov. 24.

The Russians are fighting strongly on the Leningrad front.

In the Volkhov sector, the Germans have been driven back several miles and are still being kept on the retreat.

The recapture of Malaya Vishera is confirmed here.

Having taken several important positions, the Russians have reached another town in this neighbourhood where street fighting is reported to be in progress.

BATTLE FOR MOSCOW

Kujbishev:—The battle for Moscow has now extended to the whole Moscow front and is going on day and night say reports from the front.

In the present drive, the Germans have thrown in even larger forces than in October but in the meantime Russian defences and methods of Defence have increased and improved to an even greater degree.

Nazi "Cutting Off" Tactics Futile

No attempt to disguise the seriousness of the German effort is made by the newspaper "Izvestia" which in an outspoken editorial says, the Germans must be stopped and admits that both Moscow and the south are threatened, though after weeks of fighting the Germans achieved nothing sensational.

German "cutting off" tactics are no longer succeeding and the Russians have greatly increased the fierceness of their fire power while in the air they are giving more punishment than they receive.

While in the Mojaisk sector 60 miles west-south-west of Moscow the Russians have withdrawn in good order to prepared positions. A bitter struggle is proceeding on the Volokolamsk—Moscow Road 50 miles north-west of Moscow. The Russians appear to be generally holding their ground in the other Moscow front sectors.

Fighting In Tula

MOSCOW:—Fighting in the Tula region is growing more violent every day with the Germans endeavouring to outflank the town from the south-east, says the war correspondent of the newspaper "Pravda."

During November 23 Germans used one hundred tanks as well as strong infantry forces in an effort to capture two villages in

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INDO-CEYLON REPORT UNDER FIRE

Standing Emigration Committee Suggests Modifications

NEW DELHI, Nov. 24.

The Standing Emigration Committee met to-day in New Delhi and discussed the joint report by the delegations from India and Ceylon on the recent Indo-Ceylon conversations and suggested for the consideration of the Government of India some modifications in the proposals as set out in the joint report, says a Press Note.

The Hon. Mr. M. S. Aney, Member, Department of Indians Overseas presided.—A. P.

EDITORS' CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE

Next Meeting In Office Of "Statesman"

NEW DELHI, Nov. 24.

Mr. J. N. Sahni, convener of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference states that the next meeting of the Standing Committee of the Conference will be held in Calcutta in the offices of the "Statesman" on December 17 and 18.

Members are requested to inform the convener and Mr Tushir Kant Ghose, Editor, "Amrita Bazar Patrika", and convener for Bengal, regarding the date of their arrival in Calcutta.—A. P.

CENTRAL ASSEMBLY BUDGET SESSION

NEW DELHI, Nov. 24.

The "United Press" learns that the Budget session of the Central Assembly will commence on February 11 next.

Five-Year Lease For Anti-Comintern Pact

LONDON, Nov. 24.

The Anti-Comintern Pact concluded in 1936 will be prolonged for another five years.

This was decided at a meeting of representatives of thirteen States in Berlin, says the German Radio.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

White House Conference For Labour Legislation

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.

President Roosevelt has invited ten members of Congress and two representatives of the Labour Department to meet him at White House this night to discuss labour legislation.—Reuter.

A. B. C. D. FRONT

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.

Mr. Cordell Hull has summoned the representatives of Britain, China, the Netherlands and Australia to meet him in the State Department at 4-0 p. m. (local time).—Reuter.

U. S. TROOPS FOR DUTCH GUIANA

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.

White House has announced that a contingent of United States troops would move into Dutch Guiana to protect the valuable bauxite mines which supply the United States with large supplies for raw aluminium.

The arrangement to guard the bauxite mines was made by the United States and the Netherlands Governments with the Brazilian Government giving whole-hearted approval.—Reuter.

U. S. CONSULATE AT SAIGON WRECKED

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.

The State Department confirmed that the United States Consulate at Saigon was wrecked by a bomb last night. No persons were injured.—Reuter.

Indians Welcome Shafaat Ahmad

JOHANNESBURG, Nov 24.

Sir Shafaat Ahmad Khan, the new High Commissioner for India in South Africa, was met at the station by leaders of the Indian community.—Reuter.

Armoured Canadian Division In Britain

OTTAWA, Nov. 24.

The National Defence Department has announced the arrival in Britain of the fifth Canadian armoured division which crossed the Atlantic in the greatest troop convoy ever from Canada.—Reuter

"ARK ROYAL" SURVIVORS REACH HOME

LONDON, Nov. 24.

Several hundred survivors from "Ark Royal" have arrived home safely.—Reuter.

Japanese Evacuate Dutch E-Indies

NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN PACIFIC SITUATION

Freedom Of All Nations Must Be Basis Of Peace, Says Fraser

TOKYO, November 24.

Four hundred and one Japanese evacuees from the Netherlands East Indies arrived at Kobe on Monday. 827 Japanese from the Netherlands East Indies arrived on Sunday.

"CHUNGKING AGENTS" ROUNDED UP

TOKYO.—Some 90 arrests of persons described as "anti-Japanese Chungking agents" were made by the Japanese Expeditionary Forces in the Saigon area, according to a Saigon despatch to the Japanese news agency.

It was alleged they intended to start anti-Japanese activities following the despatch of the Japanese Expeditionary forces to southern French Indo-China last August.

The agency adds that the Japanese forces rounded up "Chungking Agents" in northern French Indo-China some time ago.

"FREEDOM FOR ALL" Fraser On Basis Of Peace

WELLINGTON:—"To-day, in the Pacific we do not want war", said the Prime Minister Mr. Fraser at a State luncheon in honour of Mr. Duff Cooper. "We want to live in peace with every nation. New Zealand has in its entirety accepted the Atlantic Declaration standing for the freedom of all nations and access to raw materials for all nations, but before that can be brought about, all nations must agree to play the game and the game is the Democratic game and no other. We welcome all nations in the Pacific into an alliance if they will come. We do not want any opposition but there must be a dignified and creditable understanding on the basis of freedom for all the nations concerned" said Mr. Fraser.

Mr. Duff Cooper said that he had enough of New Zealand to realise that the people were a hundred per cent in the war. He could see the Pacific looming on the future horizon and hoped that the small British nations in the Pacific would play a great part.—Reuter.

Speeding Up Disposal Of China Affair!

TOKYO, Nov. 24.

The Japanese Prime Minister General Tojo and the Finance Minister Mr. Okinori Kaya and other Government leaders are expected to address an extraordinary one-day conference of 60 Japanese Governors here to-day.

The purpose of the conference is "to strengthen further the national mobilisation structure" it was announced.

The Governors will be asked to give their "whole-hearted support and co-operation in carrying out the Government's policies for the disposal of the China affair."

Later the Vice-Foreign Minister will report to the Governors on the international situation with particular reference to the Japanese-American negotiations.—Reuter.

"Calcutta Must Prepare For Air Raids"

CALCUTTA, Nov. 24.

A reference to the Far Eastern crisis which foreshadowed the possibility of air raids over Calcutta was made by the Hon. Sir Nazimuddin, Home Minister, addressing the Police Parade this morning.

Sir Nazimuddin said that highly placed and responsible ministers and members of various Governments, including the Prime Minister of England had warned the public to be prepared for the outbreak of hostilities in the Pacific. The Home Minister himself had recently drawn the attention of the people of Bengal, particularly of the citizens of Calcutta, to the likelihood of the danger. In his opinion, it would be an act of folly if even now they did not recognise the seriousness of the situation and prepared themselves to meet it.—A. P.

AXIS CRUISER SUNK

Br. Submarines Also Torpedo Two Enemy Supply Ships

LONDON, Nov. 23.

An Admiralty 'communique' states: "An enemy cruiser has been torpedoed and possibly sunk by a submarine of the Mediterranean Fleet. When the cruiser was attacked it formed part of a force of three cruisers and three destroyers. This force was subsequently sighted by aircraft. Only two cruisers were then seen and a large area of the sea in the vicinity was covered with oil fuel. An enemy destroyer has been hit by two torpedoes and probably sunk.

"Two enemy supply ships have been torpedoed.

"All these successes have been achieved in the Central Mediterranean."—Reuter.

NAZIS SAY "LET THERE BE NO LIGHT . . ."

Forced Labour For Excess Of Use Of Electricity

ANKARA, Nov. 24.

The Germans have issued a decree in Belgrade threatening sentences of forced labour in coal mines for any one using more electricity than is allowed under the recently introduced rationing scheme. Any one intentionally contravening the restrictions will be sentenced to death. The electric current will be cut off between 7-30 a. m. and 5 p. m. daily. Tramways will be suspended and schools closed. Shops are only allowed to be open between 9 a. m. and 3 p. m. Reading by electricity has been forbidden.

These drastic restrictions are stated to be due to lack of wood and coal caused by "irresponsible elements" who are hampering transport.—Reuter.

Australian Minister's Condition Serious

MONTREAL, Nov. 24.

The Minister of Justice, Mr. E. La Ponte, is in hospital in a "very weak" condition and, according to the Doctor, "very bad news" could be expected within 24 hours.—Reuter.

Finnish Minister In Berlin

VICHY, Nov. 24.

The Finnish Foreign Minister, M. Witting, arrived in Berlin this afternoon to take part in the Anti-Comintern meeting says a Berlin dispatch to the Vichy News Agency.—Reuter

Mahasabha To Defy Govt.'s Ban?

(From Our Correspondent.)

PATNA, Nov. 24.

It is reliably understood that Mahasabha has finally decided to hold its annual session at Bhagalpur on Dec. 24, 25 and 26 despite the Bihar Government's final decision not to allow Mahasabha to hold its session on the above dates.

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Wanted A Matriculate Shorthand Typist knowing Gujarati. State speed and minimum salary expected to Box No. 15387, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted—A Medical Representative for Bombay. Selected candidates will be interviewed in Bombay Apply with full details stating minimum salary expected to—Managing Agents, Lister Antiseptics and Dressings Co. (1928) Ld., P.O. Cossipore, Calcutta. (6592)

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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY
City Engineer's Department
(Works Branch)

NOTICE.

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will be received upto 1 P.M. (Bombay Time) on FRIDAY, the 5th December, 1941.

Tenders should be addressed to the Municipal Commissioner and delivered at the office of the Chief Accountant, Municipal Offices, Fort, Bombay, enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the description of the tender.

Forms of tender, specification, etc. will be issued on payment of Rs. 5- each to any one deputed to receive them by the City Engineer, who will on application give any further information that may be required.

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The Municipal Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

(Sd.) M. V. MODAK,
City Engineer.

Municipal Offices,
Bombay, 22nd November, 1941.
(6622)

NOTICE.

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(Sd.) I. R. BHAGAT,
Chief Officer,
Ahmedabad Municipality.

Central Office,
Ahmedabad Municipality,
Dated, 15th November, 1941.
(6605)

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Detailed particulars can be obtained from Provincial Administrative Medical Officers or the Director-General, Indian Medical Service, New Delhi.

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G.I.P. RLY.—TENDERS.

THE CONTROLLER OF STORES, Gipstore Lane, Lower Parel, Bombay 13, invites tenders for reconditioning of Scrap Brass Boring Quality No. 1 available at the Mechanical Stores Depot, Parel. Tender forms obtainable from the Controller of Stores' Office at Rs. 2|- per copy which amount will not be refunded. Payment by cheque, postal orders and postage stamps will not be accepted. Closing date MONDAY, the 15th December, 1941, at 3 P.M. (S.T.)

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Masters or Mates' Board of Trade or Colonial Certificate of Competency. Preference will be given to applicants holding Inland Masters' certificates in addition to the above, subject to other qualifications being equal. Candidates must not be over 40 years of age on 28th February, 1942.
4. Applicants should give full details of past experience, educational and technical qualifications supported by copies of testimonials.
5. Application should be submitted in the prescribed form, which can be had on payment of a fee of Re. 1|- only, post free from the Office Superintendent, Central Registry, E. B. Railway, No. 3, Koilaghat Street, Calcutta. The fee of Re. 1|- will not be refunded under any circumstances and no postal stamps will be accepted in lieu of cash payment.
6. The application, after being filled in, should be addressed to the General Manager (Recruitment), E. B. Railway, No. 3, Koilaghat Street, Calcutta and be either sent by post or dropped into the locked box kept in the Personnel Branch of the General Manager's office.

Any application addressed to the General Manager or any other officer by name, or addressed otherwise than as stated herein will not be considered.

7. The last date of submission of the application is 28th February, 1942.
8. Canvassing of any nature will disqualify a candidate from selection.

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TATA CHEMICALS LIMITED

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Register of Members and the SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the above Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 5th day of December, 1941, to WEDNESDAY, the 10th day of December, 1941, both days inclusive.

Dated the 25th day of November, 1941.

By order of the Board,
TATA SONS, LTD.,
Managing Agents,
A. R. DALAL,
Director

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ANDHRA UNIVERSITY.

NOTIFICATION

The last date for receipt of tenders for the construction of 'Administration Building', originally fixed for 12 noon on Monday, the 1st December, 1941, is changed to 12 noon on MONDAY, the 15th DECEMBER, 1941.

REGISTRAR,
Andhra University.

Waltair, 20th November, 1941.

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Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. PARESHWAR CHANDRESHWAR BHUTT, of Vile-Parle, has agreed to sell to my client free from all encumbrances whatsoever the piece of land, admeasuring 2552 Square Yards or thereabouts, situate at Malad, Pakhadi Belwadi, Bombay Suburban District, within the limits of the Kandivli Notified Area Committee, on the North side of the Mathuradas Road, and which is bounded on the North by the property of Manji Khoda, on the South by the Mathuradas Road, on the East by the road, and on the East by the property of Thakkar Jethmal Dhanji and Thakkar Keshavji Dhanji.

The Vendors have informed me that the sale deed, dated 30-4-1920 from Abdulhamid Habibbhoy to Dwarkadas Zinabhai, and the sale deed dated 9-12-1920 from Dwarkadas Zinabhai, to Navalram Tejram Bhutt, relating to the said property have been either lost or misplaced, and inspite of diligent search and inquiry cannot be found or traced.

Any person who has any knowledge or information whereby the holder of the said sale deeds may be traced, or who is possessed of the said sale deeds, or who has any claim against the said property by reason of his possession of the said sale deeds, or having any claim right, title or interest in the said property by way of bequest, charge, easement, exchange, gift, inheritance, lease, lien, sale share, maintenance, mortgage, trust, wahiwat, or otherwise howsoever is hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned Advocate for the Purchaser, at his Office in "Shanti Sadan" Building, at Andheri, Bombay Suburban District, within fourteen days from the date hereof. Otherwise the sale will be completed at the expiry of the said period, without reference to any such claim or claims, and the same, if any, will be deemed and considered to have been knowingly waived.

Dated this 22nd November, 1941.

GAJANAN SADASHIV PATIL,
B.A., LL. B.,
Advocate, High Court.

6612.

Legal Notices

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that CHHOTALAL BABOOBHAI PAREKH, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant has contracted to sell the abovementioned property to our client.

ALL persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Sailor Building No. 373, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece or parcel of Leasehold land or ground of the Queen's Road Estate of the Government of India together with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon, situate, lying and being at Queen's Road, within the Fort of Bombay, in the Registration sub-district of Bombay, being Sub Plot No. 3B of the Original Plot Nos. 46 and 47 of the said Queen's Road Estate, containing by admeasurement 484.18 square yards or thereabouts and bearing Cadastral Survey No. 1/1873 of Fort Division and in the Books of the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under "A" Ward No. 3530 (3B) and Street No. 1B and bounded as follows, that is to say, on or towards the East by land belonging to the Head Lessor and known as the Bombay Battalian Headquarters on or towards the West by a forty feet Road, on or towards the North by Sub Plot No. 3A of the said Estate and on or towards the South by Sub Plot No. 2 of the said Estate leased to Mr. Ramniklal Mohanlal Jhaveri.

Dated this 25th day of November, 1941.

RAMANLAL AND HIMATLAL,
Purchasers' Attorneys.

6611.

IN THE COURT OF THE SUBORDINATE JUDGE OF BEZWADA

I.P. No. 22 of 1931.
I.A. No. 847 of 1941.
Between:
MAJETI ANKAYYA - Petitioner.
and
1. MOTILAL VOTMAL, 3. MOTILAL MAGANLAL, 5. RAICHAND RIKABDAS, 9. VANNICHAND BHOJARAJ, 12. PUNNAMCHAND VANNACHAND, 14. PUNNAMCHAND SUKARAJ, 15. VEERABHAI HINDUJI, 18. PRATAPCHAND HEERACHAND, 19. VARDHICHAND MANCHALAL, 20. VAJINJI NATMAL, 71. TARACHAND BABUTMAL .. Respondents.

The abovenamed petitioner has applied for granting an order of absolute discharge.

The abovenamed respondents may appear before the Court at 11 A.M. on 29-11-1941 and state their objections if any.

D. V. SIVARAO,
Vakil for Petitioner.

(6618)

Auction Sales

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY AT GAIWADY LANE KNOWN AS CAVEL STREET.

By order of Messrs. Amin Desai and Nanavati, attorneys for Mr. Purshottamdas Tulsibhai Patel and his wife Bai Chanchal, the Mortgagees and on account and at the risk of the Mortgagors Ramdas Jhaverbhai, Pratapsing Ramdas, Dharamsing Ramdas, Jaysing Ramdas, Ghanshyamsing Ramdas and Vijaysing Ramdas and pursuant to the power of sale reserved under the Indenture of Mortgage dated 14th July 1931 and the Deed of Further Charge dated 13th November, 1935.

Piece of land admeasuring about 297 sq. yds. with dwelling house thereon situate at Gaiwady Lane known as Cavel Street, Bombay, bearing Collector's New Survey Nos. 199 and 200, Cadastral Survey No. 1890 of Bhuleshwar Division and Municipal C Ward No. 3770 and Old Street No. 116 and present Street Nos. 196 and 196A.

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MARATHI: Daily 4, 7 & 9-45.

High Court

PLEADER'S REVISION APPLICATION ADMITTED

(Before the Hon'ble the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Wadia.

Shankar Krishnaji Gavankar .. Petitioner (Original Accused.

Versus

Imperator .. Opponent.

The Petitioner was a pleader of 32 years' standing practising at Malwan in the Ratnagiri District. On 9th November 1940 he was appearing before Mr. G. K. Salvi, 3rd Class Magistrate at Malwan in defence of a theft case. In the midst of the hearing the Magistrate rose in order to dispose of certain executive work which was also part of his duties. When he came back the Petitioner alleged that he was in an agitated mood and so the Petitioner alleged that he thought it would be better for his client if an adjournment of the case was taken. Whilst a witness was being cross-examined, the Magistrate's version was that the Petitioner insisted upon putting a question in an improper way whereupon the Magistrate told him to sit down and that then the Petitioner retorted that the Court was not in its proper head.

On the other hand the Petitioner's version was different. He alleged that while the cross-examination of a witness was proceeding the Magistrate angrily asked him to sit down. Subsequently while the Petitioner was drafting his application for adjournment the Magistrate started conversing with him and thinking it to be out of Court the Petitioner said informally that if the Magistrate felt insulted by his superiors, why didn't he realize it and practise it himself when he asked the Petitioner in full Court to sit down.

The Magistrate started proceedings against the Petitioner under Section 480 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for contempt of Court within Section 228 of the Indian Penal Code and on 11th November 1940 fined him Rs. 200 and ordered, that in default he was to suffer one month's simple imprisonment. The Petitioner's appeal to the District Magistrate at Ratnagiri having proved unsuccessful, he approached their lordships in Revision, mainly on the ground that the Magistrate was not sitting as a judicial tribunal when these events occurred and therefore there was no "contempt of court."

Their Lordships admitted the Revision application, after hearing Counsel in the matter.

Mr. T. N. Walavalkar appeared for the Petitioner.

ACQUITTED OF THEFT CHARGE

Postal packer, Rajaram Laxman, who was charged with theft of a letter containing ten-rupee currency note, was acquitted by the Presidency Magistrate, Third Court on the ground that the case not been proved against Rajaram. He was given the benefit of doubt.

TAMIL NAD HINDI CONFERENCE

SALEM, Nov. 22.

The evolution of a lingua franca was one of the surest foundations of Swaraj, and he would not be surprised if the future historians estimated the Hindi Prachar Movement as among the greatest services Mahatma Gandhi had rendered to this country. So observed Mr. K. Santanam, M.L.A. (Central) presiding over the Tamil Nad Hindi Pracharaks' conference held here.—A. P.

Ban Of Kolhapur Praja Parishad Lifted

KOLHAPUR, Nov. 24.

The ban on the Kolhapur State Praja Parishad has been lifted. A Government Gazette Extraordinary published this morning announces that in honour of the happy "Namkaran" ceremony of Princess baby Maharaj at 2|22 p.m. in the new palace, the State Executive Council cancels the previous notifications declaring the Kolhapur State Praja Parishad and Ichalkaranji Jahagir Parajasangh unlawful bodies. The order expelling Mr. D. T. Chivate from Ichalkaranji has also been cancelled. One hundred and ten prisoners from the Kolhapur Central Jail have been released.

The Chief Sahib of Bavda has also released some prisoners today.—A.P.

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BOMBAY & SUBURBS

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS To-day

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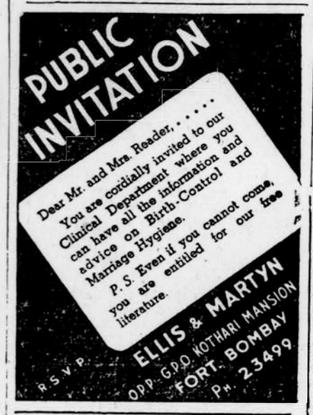
Parsi: Khorsad 22, 1511
Municipal Standing Committee, (B.T.). 2-45 p.m.

FORT KHADI BHANDAR: A.I.S.A. Khadi Bhandar Branch No. 2 at Churchgate Street, Fort, will be opened at 9-30 a.m. henceforward instead of at 8-30 a.m., and will be closed at 7 p.m.

REFRESHER COURSE FOR AIR RAID WARDENS: Lecture on "How Wardens can co-operate with the Rescue Squad" by Mr. G. D. Jeavons, to-day (Tuesday) at 5-15 p.m. in the Conference Hall, Electric House.

BOMBAY WELFARE SOCIETY: At the annual general meeting of the above Society, held on last Sunday, the following members of the New Managing Committee were elected:—President: Mr. Mohanlal N. Pandya; Vice-President: Mr. Dhansukh N. Naik; Secretaries: Messrs. Manubhai Oza and Ochvalal Butala.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AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

CAPITOL—"Blood and Sand" Daily 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"The Great American Broadcast" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"Navy Blues" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"The Thief of Baghdad" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"Spare A Copper" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
LIBERTY—"Darshan" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
PATHE—"Nai-Roshni" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Sangam" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
WEST END—"Sangam" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
MINERVA—"Sikandar" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Khazanchi" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Gharki Laj" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Sasural" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Sant Sakhu" Daily at 4, 7 and 9-45 p.m.
EDWARD—"Padosi" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Swami" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
CHITRA—"Asra" Daily at 4, 6-45 and 9-45 p.m.
BROADWAY—"Kanchan" Daily at 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m.
KOHINOOR—"Punarmilan" Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
HINDMATA—"Kangan" Daily at 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m.
PALACE—"The Return of Frank James" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

GATHA SOCIETY: A public meeting of the Gatha Society will be held to-day (Tuesday) at 6 p.m. (S.T.) at the K. R. Cama Oriental Institute, 136, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, when Mr. Behramgore Tehmuras Anklesaria, M.A., will speak further in Gujarati on the "Life of Kumana Dastur Daddaru."

BOMBAY MEDICAL UNION: The following resolution was passed at the meeting of the Managing Committee of the Bombay Medical Union: "The Managing Committee of the Bombay Medical Union is of opinion that the Amendment proposed by the Government is neither necessary, nor desirable, nor urgent, and is against the highest interest of both the community and the medical profession in India. Power to exempt any person from the provisions of the Act is likely to be gravely abused. The Managing Committee of the Bombay Medical Union feels that this Amendment goes directly against the principle and spirit of the Act itself and strongly protests against the proposed amendment and feels that no person as an individual should be exempted from the provisions of the Act of 1938."

B. P. ADULT EDUCATION ASSOCIATION: The following Extension-Classes begin to-day (Tuesday), (1) Hindustani Devanagari Script for Juniors and Seniors, Sociology and Indian Philosophy in the University, South Wing at 6-30, 6 and 6-30 p.m.; (2) Hindustani Urdu Script for beginners in Anjuman-i-Islam High School at 6-30 p.m.

Parle-Andheri Municipal Elections

(From Our Correspondent)
VILLE PARLE, Monday.

The triennial general elections for the local Municipal Board took place on Sunday under great excitement and tension.

Since early morning motor-cars and buses were making frequent trips with canvassers to bring the voters. The general polling at all the wards was brisk and the results of the voting are awaited with anxiety and eagerness unseen in these parts of the Suburb.

The expectations of some of the sitting members who have contested once again as well as, of the Orthodox element are not likely to be fulfilled easily as was evienced from the general trend of the voters.

Sensation and excitement prevailed at "C" Ward polling booth, when one of the candidates Mr. G. R. Desai, President of the Property Holders' Association was arrested by the Police Inspector under the Press Emergency Powers Act, on a charge of issuing unauthorized pamphlets; wherein, it was alleged, the name of the Printing Press was not disclosed. He was later on released on bail.

Counting of votes will take place this evening.

Bombay Children's Trip To Sind

A Bombay Children's Trip to Sind is being organised by the Bombay Provincial Balkan-ji-Bari (All-India Children's Association) during the ensuing Christmas holidays for educational purposes. The party will leave Bombay on the night of 23rd December and return to Bombay on the morning of 5th January 1942. They will visit Karachi, Larkana, Mohan-Jo-Daro Sukkur Barrage and Hyderabad (Sind) The subscription including journey fare, lodging, boarding and sight-seeing, etc., has been fixed at Rs. 25 for children under 12 years and Rs. 45 for older boys and girls from and to Bombay. It may be emphasised that there is no restriction of caste, creed, colour or sex for joining the trip. Apart from the fact that travel in itself is the best education that boys and girls can have, it may be brought to the notice of those interested that besides visiting educational and historic places at the abovementioned places, they will come in closer contact with each other and be able to form friendships with their brethren in Sind. It is hoped that the ladies and gentlemen interested in this educational activity which is full of healthy entertainment and teachers of all Schools will co-operate with the organisers in making the proposed trip a grand success by sending their wards or students in as large a number as possible. Further information may be obtained from S. P. Desai M.Sc. (Lond.), Bar-at-Law, General Secretary, Bombay Provincial Balkan-ji-Bari, "Gulistan", Khar, Bombay 21).

Haj Pilgrims' Camp At Karachi

KARACHI, November 24.

As many as 1,800 Haj pilgrims are now awaiting passage here.

The local Haj Committee has been busy providing for the comforts of the pilgrims during their stay in the Haj Camp. Mr. M. H. Gazdar, Mayor of Karachi and Chairman of the local Haj Committee, is in communication with the authorities in order to relieve the congestion in the Camp and make necessary provision for the pilgrims' passage.—A. P.

MAKE EDUCATION IN ART COMPULSORY

An Appeal To Govt. And University

An Art Exhibition organised along with the Bombay Students' Conference held at the Gowalia Tank Maidan was opened by Raja Bahadur Mukundlal Bansilal Pitti on Saturday. Mr. V. R. Rao chairman of the exhibition committee, welcoming the President and the guests, said:

The attitude of Modern India towards her art has been cold and instead of prizing art as a precious national heritage and a great life-inspiring force, art was treated with indifference and was badly neglected. Political, economic and industrial questions so much dominated our life that hardly any importance is given to the problems of art. The problem of the artist should be considered as the problem of the society as a whole.

The progressive deterioration in public patronage forced the artist to withdraw himself away from the common world and talk to himself by the side of his easel patiently waiting for the patron who never came. The great problem that faces Indian artists is to impress on people that art is normal and absolutely necessary. Art should not be treated as a luxury and an harmless eccentricity for the amusement of a few rich individuals and idle dilettanti. Appreciation and good taste largely depend on the ability to respond and the appetite for art like all other appetites develops on what it feeds on.

Referring to the presidential address delivered by Dr. Amarnath Jha at the All-India Educational Conference held at Shrinagar, Mr. Rao said that apart from the usual training that was imparted to the students in the various art schools he would advocate the education of the public in art appreciation. This could be made possible only by making art education compulsory and integrated in the system of general education right down from the primary stages to the academic stage. Mr. Rao went on to say that the educational machinery is indirectly responsible for the superficial interest, lack of appreciation and indifference in matters of art and unless steps were taken by the Government to remedy the deplorable conditions existing in the Art world, popular interest in art will remain at a low ebb.

Mr. Sadanand Sadashiv Nadkarni, the first youth from Karwar (N. Kanara) who has been selected for training as pilot officer, Indian Air Force, at Lahore.

PUBLIC RECEPTION FOR ANEY

BOMBAY, Nov. 24.

The Hon. Mr. M. S. Aney, Member, Viceroy's Executive Council, is expected in Bombay on December 1st on a three days' visit.

During his stay in Bombay, Mr. Aney will be the guest of Dr. G. V. Deshmukh, M. L. A. (Central).

A public reception to Mr. Aney is being arranged at the Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall under the presidentship of Sir Chimanlal H. Setalvad.—A. P.

Varsity Show In Aid Of Literacy Campaign

The Special Literacy Officer and Secretary, Bombay Adult Education Committee, Bombay, writes:—

An interesting variety programme of classical dances, music, garba, comic skits, feats of archery, etc., will be staged on Sunday, 30th instant, in the Sunderbai Hansraj Pragji Hall, Carnegy Street, in aid of the Literacy Campaign carried on by the Bombay Adult Education Committee. A number of artistes of repute and screen stars have offered their services for the programme. The rates of tickets for the Variety are Rs. 10, 5, 3, 2 and 1, which will be available from the volunteers who will approach the public and from the following places:—The Special Literacy Officer's office, Council Hall; The Cricket Club of India, Brabourne Stadium, Bombay; The P. J. Hindu Gymkhana Kennedy Sea Face, Bombay, and Sunderbai Hansraj Pragji Hall, on Saturday, 29th instant between 4 and 6 p.m. and on Sunday from 3 p.m. onwards.

All seats are numbered and reserved. There is a limited accommodation in the Hall and the public are requested to book their seats early.

ON THE AIR

TUESDAY, NOV. 25.

Delhi 1—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

4-30 p.m. For Indian Troops in the Far-East. 5 Bhajans. 5-15 Umrao Khan. 5-30 Lachhi Kam. 5-45 Benazir Bai. 6-15 Abdush Shakur. 6-30 Jawab Men. 6-45 For villagers only. 7-45 It has happened, or Nat Benag on Sitar. 7-50 Umrao Khan. 8 Benazir Bai. 8-15 Then and Now: Position at Sea: Talk. 8-30 Lachhi Ram. 8-45 Nasir Khan. 9-45 Bageshwari on Clarionet. 9-55 Listening Post. Talk relayed from B B C. 10 Bhajans. 10-15 Nasir Khan. 10-30 Benazir Bai

Bombay 1—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)

8 a.m. Mandolin and Flute. 8-5 News in Hindustani. 8-15 News in English. 8-25 Amir Bai Karnataki. 8-50 News in Marathi. 9 News in Gujarati. 9-10 Master Bhargav Ram. 9-40 Monammad Khan: Been. 12-32 p.m. Sindhi songs. 12-45 Marathi Pad. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 Gujarati Geets. 1-15 Thumri and Ghazal. 1-30 News in English. 1-35 Lunch hour music. 4-15 School Broadcast. 5 To-morrow. 5-5 Vinodini Desai. 5-15 Latafat Husain. 5-40 News in Marathi. 5-45 News in Gujarati. 5-50 Tulsidasji Bhajan. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Vinodini Desai. 6-20 Local news and announcements in English. 6-25 Same in Hindustani. 6-30 Children's Half Hour (Gujarati). 7 Marathi Actor's Diary. 3: By Chintaman Rao Kolhatkar. 7-15 Three Stars. 7-25 Amir Bai Karnataki. 7-45 News commentary in Gujarati. 7-50 Jaltarang solo. 8 News in Marathi. 8-15 News in Gujarati. 8-30 The Royal Asiatic Society. 8-45 At a quarter to..... 9 News in Hindustani. 9-15 News commentary in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C news relay. 9-45 War commentary. 9-55 Listening Post. 10 Chamber music.

Bombay II—Programme

41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

8 to 8-5 a.m. As in Bombay 1. 8-5 Latafat Husain. 8-25 to 8-50 As in Bombay 1. 8-50 Flute recital. 9 Juthika Roy. 9-10 to 10 As in Bombay 1. 12-30 to 2-25 p.m As in Bombay 1.

61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

4-15 to 5-40 As in Bombay 1. 5-40 Recitations from Hindustani Poems. 5-50 to 6 As in Bombay 1. 6 Karadkar. 6-10 to 7-15 As in Bombay 1. 7-15 Interval.

89.15 metres (3,365 kc/s)

7-30 Commercial news. 7-45 to 8 As in Bombay 1. 8 Latafat Husain. 8-30 to 9 As in Bombay 1. 9 A I R Orchestra. 9-10 Vinodini Desai. 9-20 Mohammad Khan: Been. 9-40 Amir Bai Karnataki. 10-5 Sarangi recital. 10-15 Master Bhargav Ram.

HOLKAR AGAINST PENTANGULAR

Pleads For Non-Communal All-India Cricket Festival

INDORE, Nov. 23.—His Highness the Maharaja Holkar has issued the following statement on Pentangular Cricket:—

"I have followed with keen interest the controversy over the Pentangular Cricket Tournament held in Bombay every year and I must say that I am against not only communal cricket, but the communal spirit that exists in India. Communalism is being placed before the interest of the country as a whole. I know for certain that its tentacles are spreading into all institutions devoted to learning and therefore devoted to sports. Are some of us so blind as not to recognize the fact that communalism can only harm the educative system and therefore the future of India as a whole? As regards sports in general and cricket in particular, I endorse the statements made by the Jam Saheb and the Maharaja of Patiala. Certain Cricket Players of All-India renown have supported the Pentangular on the ground that the elimination of such a first-class tournament would injure the cause of cricket as such. It is a patent fact that the Ranji Trophy alone cannot give sufficient stimulus to All-India Cricket or help in the discovery of new talent. I would therefore like to make a suggestion that we replace the Pentangular by holding an All-India Cricket Festival represented by northern, southern, eastern, western and Central India. We shall then have not only the Ranji Trophy to play for, but we shall be replacing communal cricket by All-India Cricket. I feel hopeful that by giving a lead in the field of sports, we may succeed in eradicating communalism from our midst."

VENUS ASSURANCE CO. AFFAIRS

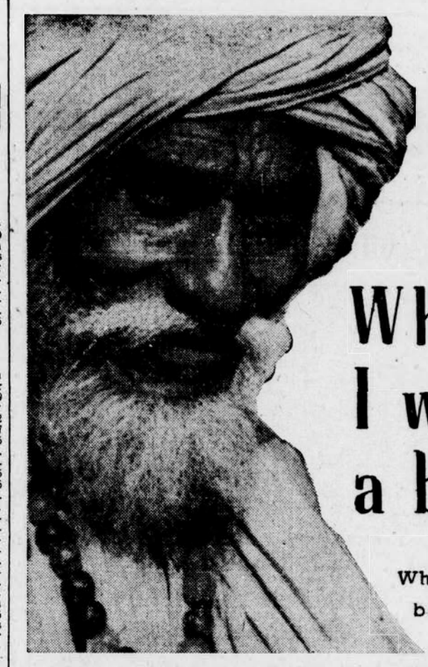
BOMBAY, Monday.

Sensational developments have come to light in the affairs of the Bombay Branch of the Venus Assurance Company of Delhi, whose offices at Bori Bunder were sealed on Saturday evening from which hour an officer of the Small Causes Court, Bombay, has been posted at the main entrance.

Mr. Sorabji R. Madon, a policy-holder of the company, it is said, obtained a decree against it for Rs. 168|8.

As the Company was not in a position to pay the amount an attachment warrant was granted by the Court and executed on Saturday.

Inquiries made at the Company's premises this morning showed a sad spectacle. A queue of policy-holders was lined up outside the office the members of which after discussing the situation among themselves slowly melted away greatly disappointed.



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THE VICEROY'S WAR PURPOSES FUND

The Viceroy's War Purposes Fund has now reached a figure of Rs. 5,15,35,019. His Excellency gratefully acknowledges this splendid voluntary effort. The position of the Fund on October 31, 1941, was:—

		Rs. (lakhs)
Total payments	.....	446.37
Sums earmarked and awaiting payment	.....	29.42
Free Balance	.....	39.56
	GRAND TOTAL	515.35

Contributions for the following objects would be particularly welcome:—

Amenities for the fighting forces.
Benevolent Funds of the fighting forces (Indian and British).
Indian Red Cross.
Welfare of Indian merchant seamen.
Lord Mayor's National Air-raid Distress Relief Fund.

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LET A. I. C. C. DECIDE

The formation of a new Ministry in Orissa is a development in the present political situation which deserves to be seriously considered by the Congress. When an attempt in this direction was made a few months ago it was frustrated by the action of 31 Congress members of the Assembly, whose strength is 59, assuring the Party Leader in writing of their allegiance to the Congress But after that more Congress members favoured a Coalition Ministry and the present Ministry is said to have at least 31 members as its supporters. This is clear evidence of a growing dissatisfaction among Congress councillors in that province with one or other feature of Congress policy. It appears that the feeling is not confined to Orissa. In one of his recent communications to Gandhiji Mr. S. Satyamurti, Deputy Leader of the Congress Party in the Central Assembly, stated that the Party "was practically unanimous in favour of functioning as the main opposition" and that it was fully supported by the electorates. We are not aware of any conference or public meeting adopting any resolution in favour of restoring parliamentary activity generally. Nor has any dissentient Congress Legislator resigned from the Legislature and recaptured his seat independently on this issue. But it is all too clear that not a few Congress members wish to function in the legislatures.

Demand For Change

While many Congressmen desire some change or other in the present policy, they are not agreed as to what precise changes should be effected. Some suggest going back to the position before the Ministerial resignations. Others suggest, in view of the opposition of the minority groups, that these groups should be allowed to form Coalition Ministries, the Congress Party giving them discriminating support; others still will be satisfied if Satyagraha is suspended, presumably expecting that other changes will come in time almost as a matter of course. Finally, a few suggest that Satyagraha may well go with Council entry. About each of these suggestions it may also be stated that many Congressmen desire the change only if Government previously make a satisfactory gesture, while others want the Congress to re-formulate its policy irrespective of any previous response from Government. It is obvious, on the whole, that Congress should carefully consider all the suggestions made to it. It is equally obvious that Congress cannot afford to ignore the attitude of Government in re-defining its policy.

A. I. C. C. Must Meet

The question has been asked who should finally decide upon the various suggestions offered to the Congress. Referring to the position of the Congress Party in the Central Legislature, Mr. Satyamurti says: "I believe no authority but the Indian National Congress in full session and the All-India Congress Committee can overrule the decision of the Congress Party. The Congress Parliamentary Sub-Committee has no jurisdiction over the Congress Assembly Party. Either a session of the Congress or the All-India Congress Committee must meet and decide the question or the Party's view must prevail." Whatever may be the exact relations between the Congress Parliamentary Sub-Committee and the Congress Party in the Central Legislature, Gandhiji has been vested by the A. I. C. C. with all its powers to carry on the present policy and he and the Working Committee have every right to consider and decide upon minor changes in it. Though possessing dictatorial powers, Gandhiji has always worked in unison with such members of the Working Committee as have been outside jail, if not with those in jail. If the President and Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, are released, Gandhiji will, of course, convene a formal meeting of the Committee. And if there should be any differences of opinion therein regarding important points of policy it is highly desirable that the questions should be referred to the A. I. C. C. This body must meet, as a matter of course, if there should be a general amnesty. But, even in the absence of any amnesty, it is desirable for the A. I. C. C. to meet as most of its members are now or will soon be free.

Steady Progress

While it would be foolish to assert that the back of the Axis opposition has been broken, the Battle of Cyrenaica seems to be going very well, indeed, for the British forces. During the week since General Auchinleck started his offensive, the progress of the Eighth Army has been well sustained, though it cannot obviously be compared with the lightning advance of General Wavell early in the year. The reason is not far to seek: General Rommel has under his command today a strong mechanised force, the famous Afrika Korps having been specially selected and trained for desert warfare. The Italian soldiers, too, seem to be fighting stubbornly under the whip-lash of their Nazi master and the British forces have thus to fight every inch of their way. Even if it is admitted that the British have a superiority over the enemy both in tanks and aeroplanes, General Rommel disposes a considerable number of tanks and armoured vehicles, however serious may be the losses suffered by the Axis during transit.

The occupation of Bardia by the British forces and the capture of Sidi Omar by Indian troops on Saturday last are thus no mean achievements. They give to the British great strategical advantage and now the main body of the enemy tank divisions are trapped in different groups within the Tobruk-Solum-Sidi Omar triangle. The main aim of General Auchinleck will now naturally be to destroy as many of the enemy's tanks as possible and the greatest vigilance will be necessary in order to prevent their escape from the net. Once the major part of the Afrika Korps is knocked off, it will be relatively easy work to finish the resistance of the Italians. It was pointed out at the very beginning of the offensive that the British objective was not so much the occupation of territory as the destruction of the German mechanised columns. But once the latter is successfully accomplished, its logical sequel is to push ahead until the whole of Lybia is captured. There cannot be any half-way measures now and with Vichy flirting ominously with Berlin, the sooner the British forces reach the frontiers of French North Africa, the better will be for the future of the Allied cause. The steady progress of the last week inspires the confident hope that the above plan is not beyond the resources of General Auchinleck.

Confession Of Failure?

Evidence is not lacking that, baulked in his Russian campaign, Hitler is desperately trying to give reorientation to the war of his creation. He has secured the active assistance of Vichy. Petain will now appear before him as humble supplicant and offer his services to his Nazi overlord. From him he will secure the French ports in Africa including Dakar which, in Nazi hands, means a dagger aimed at the heart of America. Clearly a German-Italian-Franco-Spanish bloc is envisaged by the Fuehrer and General Franco is being brought in closer alliance with the Axis. On the other hand, Japan is being encouraged to get things going in the Far East and, already violations of the Thailand border have been reported. According to Chinese circles, these incidents are deliberately created for the purpose of finding out, firstly, whether Britain and the United States are actually prepared to assist Thailand in the event of a Japanese attack and, secondly, to estimate how far the joint defence plans of the Democracies have materialised in the Far East. It is against this background that we have to view the earlier reports of a peace move by Hitler. The Vienna Conference is expected to launch this latest Peace offensive. But it is not peace that Hitler is seeking. The clear aim is to use the Conference as a smoke-screen and, by glib talk of peace, coercion, threats and blackmail, to form a front of European Powers to counter the ABCD front of the democracies. Such a move is at once a confession of the failure of Nazi plans in the East and a key to Nazi war plans in the near future. Hitler is deluding himself if he expects the Allies to fall into his trap.

Background To Fall Of France

By NEVILLE LYTTON

Son of the first Earl of Lytton, Viceroy of India, who saw service in the last War, being for a time on Haig's Staff. He has intimate knowledge of French life and character.

I have just arrived in England from France. I was living there when war broke out. I should like to relate some of my experiences, for I feel that it may help onlookers to adjust their opinions at least to reassure them of the continuity of the true spirit of the French people.

When war broke out it was obvious that France was not in a mood for it. No one had confidence in Gamelin as a soldier, and of Daladier the best that was ever said of him was, "C'est un brave homme." (He is a brave man.)

To my mind, too much confidence was reposed in the Maginot Line.

"It is impossible for the Germans to break through, and we can never get through the Siegfried Line, and so this is a dull and stupid war."

That is what we heard on all sides.

Many poilus who come back on leave described their life in the underground forts. They never knew whether it was summer or winter, raining or fine; they were stuck there like white maggots under stone, and their very souls became mildewed. On the ground the vast no man's land was patrolled by a special free corps of ardent brave men who volunteered for the job and received proficiency pay. This system was rotten, for it meant that only a tiny proportion of the armed forces had contact with the enemy.

Letter To Churchill

On one occasion a young French cousin of mine came to spend his leave with us, and we all felt that there was something rotten in the state of France. So we wrote a collective letter to Churchill and implored him to be our Demosthenes, our Clemenceau, our leader. We got an answer and gave the letter to our cousin, and we now know that this regiment held their ground till all ammunition was exhausted and were not made prisoners till some days after the Armistice. We know also that this young man is the life soul of his prison camp in Germany and that he has never lost faith in a British victory.

Just before I left France I had a letter from him in which he said, "Do you remember our letter? Demosthenes—he's a genius!" Let it not be forgotten that, though the French army was without a great leader and there was no just conception of an up-to-date war, certain French units on the battle-front fought with singular skill and courage.

On arriving in the retreat from Paris at a little town in the Jura Alps where I had family connections, I ran into a veteran of 1914-1918 who adores England for the simple reason that during the last War he spent some months in a German prison camp and there chummed up with an English prisoner called Richardson who received many food parcels and shared every one with his companions in misfortune.

This man told me that the defeat of France was due partly to the Communists and partly to the Cageulards For, he said, the Communists had nothing worth fighting for, and the Cagoulards wanted a change of regime and were willing to sacrifice their country to the party.

There is a lot of truth in this opinion, for when war began, France was in a state of undeclared civil war, and there was no great leader to bring about the "union sacree" (sacred unity) of the last War.

Orders Not To Resist?

I called at once upon the mayor and offered to form groups of scouts and post them on the surrounding hills as a precaution against parachutists. I told him that I was a sniping officer in the last War and had a good eye for the country. He thanked me but did nothing, and I now know that he had already got his orders to offer no resistance to the Germans.

In the same way the armed forces had orders to retreat quickly and as far as possible. "Allez jusqu'aux Antibes s'il le faut." (Retreat up to Antibes if necessary.) But in spite of this, many splendid rearguard actions were fought in our neighbourhood, notably at Sault Brenaz, where Lieutenant Cue and half a company of men armed only with trench mortar and a few machine-guns held up German armoured forces who tried to cross the Rhone at this point.

One of the inhabitants of this village told me that after the fight a German army doctor came and examined the wounded lying on a partially destroyed ridge. The slightly wounded were sent to an ambulance, but all serious cases had their identity discs removed and were then just kicked into the river.

Britain's Message And D'Gaulle's

A few days later I listened to Petain's broadcast when he appealed for an armistice. In the same room with us were many 'grands blesses' (wounded) of the last War. Tears were rolling down their cheeks. Petain's message was so abject, so hopeless. How could he have asked publicly for an armistice? A fault which caused France the loss of about a million prisoners unnecessarily. How could he mention the word "honour" in connection with Hitler, and how could he mistake him for a soldier?

Next came de Gaulle's stirring message, and the bowed heads were held erect again at the thought that at least one Frenchman had refused to surrender. However, all the freshly demobilised soldiers thought that England was sure to be crushed.

"You'll go like the rest; Hitler is the master of Europe."

England was not crushed. England lived her greatest hour. Alas! While England fought and bled—and triumphed—France collaborated, and yet it is not France and never will be. Eighty per cent of Frenchmen are still honourable and loyal. Collaboration was thought to be due solely to the traitor, Laval, and there was consternation indeed, when Petain continued to collaborate after Laval's dismissal.

A Letter To Petain

Thousands of soldiers wrote direct to the Marshal, and here is a quotation from one of them:

"Is it possible that, for some immediate advantage, conscienceless politicians can be prepared to plunge France into a dishonourable and shameful situation from which she could never recover herself? Never in all her history has she faced a similar shame. We have been beaten; our Allies continue to fight, and they will win. They were our brothers-in-arms, and a number of us stand with them. Happy are they who can fight in the hour of decision! In this crusade against the common enemy I trust it will not be said that France has disavowed her faith".

As time went on, we acquired proof that what remained of the French army in our district was entirely in favour of Great Britain. A rugby match took place between our local team and some Chasseurs Alpins. The Chasseurs were 100 per cent. de Gaullist.

On another occasion there was a ceremony for the swearing—in of new adherents to Petain's Legion. While pompous discourses were being uttered by professional Fascists in the Town Hall, we talked to young soldiers who formed part of a company which had been sent over to carry out a ceremonial parade. It was mostly composed of men from Roubaix and Turcoing who had escaped from the occupied zone and had tried to reach Gibraltar via Spain and join up with the Free French forces. They had been arrested in Spain and sent to a concentration camp, from which they were released on promise of enlistment in the Vichy force. They remained, nevertheless, 100 per cent. de Gaullist.

"In the spring this year I had an exhibition of pictures at Lyons which brought me many orders fo portraits and gave me an opportunity of getting to know the rich commercial families of the town. These families naturally enough, are very pro-Petain, for they have lived for years past in terror of the Front Populaire, but they are at the same time pro-British, though they have a great fear that if Britain wins there will be a return to the "status quo ante bellum" in France.

When it came to our departure, the little country station was crammed with sympathisers; all sorts and conditions were there Fascists, Republicans, rich and poor, young and old had come to wish us a safe return and victory for Great Britain and her Allies.

Frankly Speaking

A Thought For The Day

O woman, you are not merely the handiwork of God, but also of man: these are ever endowing you with beauty from their own hearts. . . . You are one-half woman and one-half dream.—
RABINDRANATH TAGORE.

Burma Road

As the situation in the Far East grows more acute, the Burma Road—the most important life-line of republican China—assumes phenomenal significance. The Chiang-Kai-Shek regime is evidently quite conscious of this and efforts are being made to keep the road in good condition with a view to ensure increased and speedier traffic. The Chinese Government are sending a mission to supervise the road and to take steps to safeguard the health of the drivers who carry in their trucks the precious war materials for China's armies. Nor is the Chinese administration using this road only for the transport of war materials. As a part of the effort to stabilise commodity prices in the interior, it has been decided to import via the Burma Road 1,500 tons per month of essential commodities for the use of the general public and a number of trucks have been reserved for this purpose. This adds to the strategic and economic value of this highway and also reflects upon the concern of the Chinese Government for the welfare of its people—which, after all, is even more important than war materials.

Why Shirk Arbitration?

If the Ahmedabad millowners are not immediately prepared to concede the fair demands of the workers, the least they should do is to refer the dispute to arbitration. This method has done much during the past many years in maintaining industrial peace in that city, to the great advantage of the millowners as well as the workers. Gandhiji has advised arbitration now, as he has often done before. But he has also made it clear that, if arbitration is not accepted by the millowners, the workers have every right to go on a strike. The workers have already agreed to arbitration and are prepared, if necessary, to go on a strike. It will be wise and profitable for the millowners to avert it either by coming to a settlement with them direct or by referring the whole question to arbitration.

Students And Politics

The students' conferences in the city have once again raised the question whether students should take part in politics. It is difficult to lay down hard and fast rules about all classes of students. It may, however, be stated generally that the students' first concern is to learn and prepare themselves for citizenship and that they can safely plunge into active politics only after they are prepared; as else the excitement of modern active politics may give a vicious twist to their raw, elastic minds. But at the same time there is such a thing as learning by doing, by coming in close contact with the public whom the students have later to serve as full fledged citizens. And not all active political work is harmful. Some activities are quite beneficial even if they are dubbed political just because they form part of the programme of a political party. The best course in practice for most students in normal times is to help in what has been called a constructive programme. Spreading literacy and promoting Hindustani and Swadeshi are potent activities and specially suited to students.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Silence often covers a lot of ignorance.

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Misfortune often puts us wise to our own carelessness.

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When a man compliments a woman she admires his frankness.

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Many a man works himself to death trying to make a living.

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In times of peace prepare for controversies in the war department.

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If you want a man to praise your judgment all you have to do is agree with him.

Shops And Establishments Act

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—The bill in respect of the "Shops and Establishments Act" coming before the Central Assembly very shortly and it is proposed to leave it to the option of each Provincial Government, whether or not to effect a ruling in its province for commercial establishments to grant weekly holidays of one and half days, with 14 days' privilege leave yearly with full pay.

When it is realised that in the Bengal Province, provision is made in Section 8 of the Act that every person employed in commercial establishments be allowed weekly holidays of one and half days, and that Section 12 provides him with 14 days' privilege leave in the year with full pay it is, indeed, a matter of universal regret as to why all Provincial Governments are not empowered to extend this privilege to the employees of commercial establishments in their provinces.

Yes, Sir there are employees in Commercial firms in this our proudest city of India, toiling every day of the week excepting of course, Sundays and without any privilege leave whatsoever "for the duration of their service,"—a service of drudgery, not to mention exploitation.

In the circumstances, it would be taking a righteous, fair and humane course of action if the Central Assembly makes the "Shops and Establishments Act" uniform in all Provinces, for holidays of one and a half days in a week and 14 days' privilege leave in a year compulsory in each and every commercial establishments.—Yours, etc.,

FAIRPLAY.

Central Assembly Fiasco And After

KEEN DISAPPOINTMENT AMONG INDIAN MEMBERS OVER GOVERNMENT'S FAILURE TO RELEASE POLITICALS

(From Our Special Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Nov. 20.

The unhappy ending of the Assembly session has left a feeling of disappointment, even frustration, in the minds of non-official members—very different from what they had been led to expect as a result of the efforts of the new Indian Members. It must have been a source of keen disappointment to the Indian Members themselves that, in answer to the debate on political prisoners no definite statement could be made indicating a striking departure from past policy. It was known last week itself that certain consultations were going on with certain Provincial Governments regarding certain classes of political prisoners not strictly within the category of Satyagraha prisoners, but as no serious hitch was anticipated, it was generally assumed that the Home Member would be in a position to make an announcement early this week—in fact that was the purport of a London message itself. There was an emergent meeting of the Viceroy's Council on Monday evening which was unusually brief. And it became generally known the next morning that as no final answer had been received from the Secretary of State, no announcement could be expected from the Government. Some members even suggested to Mr. Joshi that the debate might be postponed in order to give further time to the Government, but as it was not known when the Secretary of State would finally make up his mind and send his reply it was not considered practicable to keep the Assembly in session any further, as its work had already been concluded. The debate, however, served a very useful purpose, for though the Government of India could not go beyond giving the assurance that the question was receiving sympathetic consideration, the unanimous feeling in the House which found adequate expression in the speech of the European Group's spokesman also, was clearly revealed to be in favour of releasing political prisoners.

Present Position

The position as it exists to-day, may be briefly summed up thus. There is no doubt at all that the Governor-General's Council has recommended the release of political prisoners as a necessary and practical policy at this juncture. It is presumed that the Governor-General has also taken the same stand as his Council in this matter. So hopeful was the atmosphere last week that the response from Provincial Governments, so far as the policy was concerned, was also presumed to be satisfactory—though it was known that certain questions of detail were still under discussion with Provincial Governments as the primary responsibility for law and order was theirs. Urgent meetings of the Viceroy's Council were held immediately after Mahatma Gandhi's statement, but such information as was available showed that it had no effect on the policy urged by the new Indian Members of Government. So it is that the present delay in making the announcement has been something of a mystery to Assembly circles. Naturally it has provoked the query—is some one in White Hall raising objections to the new policy urged by the new Indian Members? Still the general impression is that though there has been some delay, there is really no serious hitch. The next few days may see the end of these consultations and a definite announcement which, though it may not go as far as even Mr. Joshi desired, may at least show some desire to conciliate public opinion and bring about a better atmosphere in the country, but the fact remains that the members of the Assembly have had to conclude their session, not in a feeling of satisfaction and hope for the future, but in grim disappointment—disappointment that the Government have not yet been able to do what is necessary to end the Deoli hunger-strike, that the policy of releasing political prisoners which the new Members of Government took up as soon as they assumed office, has not yet been announced, and that no concrete political scheme has yet been evolved to bring the major parties together and resolve the deadlock in the country. In the result the public finds that what was expected to prove an eventful session has actually proved not only uneventful sense in the major sense, but even disappointing.

New Conventions

In certain small ways, undoubtedly, the autumn session of the Central Legislature this year has shown decided improvement on the past. As it came immediately after the expansion of the Viceroy's Council and the emergence of an Indian majority in it, the session provided an opportunity to set up new conventions and show a new spirit in dealing with the demands of non-official members. One happy convention which has now been set up is to leave important questions to be discussed and voted upon by non-official members themselves and ask official members to remain neutral. This was done not only when the Burma and Ceylon questions were discussed, but also when the resolution on the Atlantic Charter came up for discussion. This is a useful convention, for in the past the use of official votes to thwart the attempts of non-official members has been exasperating to the public and damaging to the prestige of the Government itself. The logical conclusion to which this convention itself points is that the Government should do away with the presence of officials as members in the two Houses and have only non-officials. As an intermediate step non-officials with undisputed public standing can be nominated to take the places of official members who are not Members of Government. It is believed that the new Leader of the House, Mr. Aney, is anxious to give complete freedom to nominated members to speak and vote as they like. If nominated members are to be looked upon as henchmen of the Government, one can never expect the true parliamentary spirit to develop among them.

Another happy convention which has been developed is to avoid conflict on the floor of the House between the Government and the members opposite and

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WITHOUT COMMENT—

MOSCOW, November 24.

The Soviet has introduced a special tax on bachelors and childless couples according to the Moscow Radio this morning.

The liability covers men from 20 to 50 and women from 20 to 45.

Those serving in the forces, students, pensioners, and people of both sexes, who on medical grounds are precluded from having children, are exempted .The liability to tax ceases with the birth of a child.—Reuter.

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A cynical colleague, commenting on the war situation: "The Battle of the Tanks may be raging right now. But when the war is over, just wait for the Battle of the Banks! It will be much more terrific."

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Hitler is going to have a "fateful" conference with Marshal Petain.

To decide the old Marshal's fate?

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Communal Pentangular, it seems after all, is a thoroughly national institution—just like the Hindu Mahasabha and the Muslim League!

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SIKANDAR NOW SINGS TO AMERY'S TUNE

—Our own headline.

On behalf of Sir Sikandar, we protest against the word "now." It should have been "Now, as ever."!

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Like the Deoli prisoners, Sir Sikandar, also seems to have given up his hunger-strike. He is now willing to eat his own words!

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Having conveniently forgotten all about the challenge he had issued to the Secretary of State on behalf of nationalist India only a few weeks ago, Sir Sikandar has now paid a tribute to Mr. Amery, whose "clear analysis of our complex political problem indicates a complete grasp of facts and constitutes and admirable realistic exposition of the existing situation and difficulties."

We congratulate the Punjab Premier and hope Reuter will report this speech of his in full for the edification and enlightenment of the British press and public.

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"Mr. Amery's speech" said Sir Sikandar, "should serve as an eye-opener to Indian leaders."

And we can confidently say the same about Sir Sikandar's speech.

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The editor of "Empire News" deserves a Distinguished Service medal for his "Subhas In Sari" story.

Indeed, the Government of India ought to appoint him as the head of their C.I.D.

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OUR PRIZE HOWLERS

(1) India's frontiers in the east extend up to the British-owned plantations in Malaya.

(2) Ghosts are fighting Hitler's hordes on the Eastern Front as, according to Berlin Radio, the Russian army has been completely annihilated—several times.

(3) Harriman wants to send more and more war material to Russia—and the latest consignment will include several American communists!

(4) Local water shortage is calculated to teach the populace economy—and cleanliness!

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A young R.A.F. officer stationed somewhere in Egypt was flying near the Great Pyramid, carrying out exercises in navigation and discovering his geographical position with a sextant.

After a series of involved and confused calculations, he turned suddenly to his pilot and said, "Take your hat off."

"Why?" asked the pilot.

"Because according to my calculations, we are now inside St. Paul's Cathedral."

NO INTERVIEW WITH HUNGER-STRIKERS

U. P. Govt.'s Reply To Application

LUCKNOW, November 24.
It is understood that H.E. the Governor of the United Provinces has rejected the application of Messrs. Harish Chandra Bajpai, Venkatesh Narain Tiwari, Khushwaqt Rai, Beni Singh and Sapat Narain for permission to interview the hunger-strikers in the Chunar Camp Jail.—A. P.

Appeal To Agra Jail Hunger-Strikers

NEW DELHI, Nov. 24.
The Central Detenus Aid Committee has sent a telegram to Agra Jail prisoners requesting them to give up their hunger-strike.—A. P.

N. W. F. P. DETENUS AT DEOLI

PESHAWAR, November 23.
An appeal to the Government of the Frontier Province to release Lala Jawala Das, hunger-striking detenu in the Deoli Detention Camp from this province, was made in a statement to the "United Press" by Lala Bhanjuram Gandhi, former Minister, who arrived here today after attending the Khudai Khidmatgars Camp at Utmanzai.

Lala Bhanjuram Gandhi said: "It looks awkward on the very face of it that, when avowed Satyagrahis are not being interfered with in the North-West Frontier Province, youngmen like Jawala Das, Roshan Lall and others, who are not known to have taken part in unlawful activities, have been detained at Deoli without even a show of trial.

"The news that Jawala Das is on hunger-strike since November 8, has cast a gloom all over the province and the Frontier Government would do well to order his immediate release or arrange for his and others' detention in this province and for trial in the open Court."—United Press.

Demands Of Detenus In Punjab

LAHORE, Nov. 24.
Dr. Gopichand Bhargava, who succeeded in persuading the detenus in Montgomery Jail to give up hunger-strike, in a statement to the press, reveals that during his talks with Sir Sikander Hayat Khan, Premier of the Punjab, at Delhi, the latter assured him that the demands of the detenus would be met substantially and that they would be treated as Deoli prisoners are being treated or would be treated.

"I conveyed this assurance to the hunger-strikers", says Dr. Bhargava "and requested them to give up the strike. They very kindly agreed and thus the strike ended."—A. P.

Bihar Govt. Alive To Air Raid Danger

(From Our Correspondent.)
PATNA, Nov. 24.
I understand that the Bihar Government are alive to the Far East developments and though possibility of attack is remote all precautions are being taken. Patna is regarded to be just on the fringe of Japanese bombing range, while Jamshedpur well within the range from seas, should Japanese be able to use aircraft carrying ships.

MAGISTRATE IN SHOOTING MISHAP

CALCUTTA, Nov. 24.
Mr. J. Ahmed, Fifth Presidency Magistrate, Calcutta, who had gone to Jalpaiguri with a party on a shooting excursion was brought down to Calcutta this morning with bullet wounds and admitted to the Calcutta Medical College Hospital.

It is stated that seeing a big deer, a member of the party was aiming at the deer when the bullet went off accidentally hitting Mr. Ahmed and his driver. The driver was killed on the spot.—United Press.

Defence Consultative Committee

PESHAWAR, November 24.
The Defence Consultative Committee of the Central Assembly is expected to visit Peshawar from November 25 to 23. The Committee is likely to visit the Khyber Pass. The members will also take the opportunity to see some educational institutions during their stay here.—A. P.

N. R. Sarkar Progressing

NEW DELHI, Nov. 24.
Mr. Nalini Ranjan Sarkar, Education Member, Government of India, has been unwell since the 12th instant. His condition caused some anxiety in the beginning but he is progressing satisfactorily now and will be perfectly fit to resume his official duties after convalescence.

JINNAH'S HEALTH

Inquiries made by the Associated Press show that Mr. M. A. Jinnah who has been confined to bed on account of an attack of influenza for nearly a week is now slightly better.

CONGRESS-LEAGUE SETTLEMENT

A Suggested Basis

NEW DELHI, November 22.
According to a prominent Muslim Leaguer, the League would agree to the Executive Council being composed of four Hindus, four Muslims and three persons belonging to other minorities, say, Sikhs, Depressed Classes and Christians.

A joint demand could, the Muslim Leaguer stated be made for complete Indianisation of the Viceroy's Council, including Finance and Defence. No major issues are to be raised during the war.

So far as the provinces are concerned, Coalition Governments could be formed on an agreed programme. Controversial measures are not to be introduced during the war. Measures affecting minorities should have the prior assent of a certain proportion of the representatives of the minorities in the legislatures, say, two-thirds. The actual composition of each Provincial Cabinet could be settled by the Premier consulting the leader of the Muslim League in each province, after general principles had been laid down.

It is suggested that if Mr. C. Rajagopalachari and Mr. Jinnah first met, the way could be opened for further consultations if necessary.—"Hindu"

A SOLUTION OF HINDU-MUSLIM PROBLEM

Mr. K. Bashyam, Chairman of the Reception Committee of the Madras Fifth Circle Political Conference, in the course of his speech said that the Hindu-Muslim unity could not be achieved so long as there were separate electorates. Any suggestion of joint electorate was at present abhorrent to Muslims, who looked upon it as a device by the Hindus to disunite them. He asked whether it would not be possible for Hindus to make a gesture of goodwill by imposing upon themselves a joint electorate in which Muslims would have seats to be filled by election by Muslims alone while seats reserved for Hindus would be filled by an electorate consisting of Hindus and Muslims.

LABOUR FOR WAR INDUSTRIES

NEW DELHI, Nov. 24.
The three-day session of a conference of the Chairmen of National Labour Tribunals and Regional Inspectors from all provinces commenced here this morning. Sir Firoz Khan Noon, member of the Governor-General's Executive Council in charge of Labour Department, presided. The conference, "inter-alia", is believed to be considering the question of technical labour supply to the Munitions and Ordnance factories.

Mr. H. C. Prior, Labour Secretary to Government of India, was at home in the evening to meet the delegates to the conference.—A. P.

Protest Against Mohani's Statement

CAWNPORE, Nov. 24.
Mr. Mohamad Noman, Deputy President of the All-India Muslim Students' Federation, in the course of a statement says that it pained him to read the statement of Maulana Hasrat Mohani on the undesirability of having a separate platform for Muslim students.

He adds that the recent grievances as voiced by the various resolutions of the Council of the All-India and the Provincial Muslim League are a sufficient proof of the importance of having a separate organisation for Muslim students.—A. P.

Technical Training And National Service Labour Tribunals

NEW DELHI, November 24
The Hon. Sir Firoz Khan Noon, member for Labour, Government of India, opened in New Delhi to-day a joint conference of chairmen of National Service Labour Tribunals and Regional Inspectors of Technical Training, which has met to review the progress of technical training in the country and devise ways and means to accelerate the training scheme.

"I am indeed gratified to see," Sir Firoz Khan said, "How much work you all have already achieved. After all, you only started in June, 1940, and your aim at that time was to run 15 centres and train about 3,000 men, and to-day you have 287 centres and about 18,200 seats ready for trainees.

"Our aim is to train about 48,000 men by the end of March, 1943, and for this purpose it is estimated that we should have at least 25,000 seats for trainees at different centres. At the moment we have only 18,200. We have already placed under training about 12,000 men during the short time that we have had. If all make a little more effort, I am sure we can make up the gap.

Our total demand of instructors, I am told, is 1,650 and we need another 50 more at once. This is not a very large number. I hope that when you go back you will try to find men to make this deficiency. Of the 100 instructors which we recruited from England 61 have already arrived and the rest of them ought to be here in about six weeks' time. They will be supervisor instructors.

Mr. H. C. Prior, Secretary, Labour Department, then took the chair and the business on the agenda was taken up.—A.P.

A Punjabi was arrested in Calcutta in connection with the theft of cash and jewellery in September last to the value of over a lakh of Rupees from the house of Mian Shah Nawaz of Lahore.

Punjab Was Last Citadel To Fall!

Mangal Singh On How Deoli Hunger-Strikers Were Persuaded To Give It Up

NEW DELHI, Nov. 24.
Sardar Mangal Singh, M.L.A. (Central), Secretary, All-India Detenus Aid Committee, explains in a statement how as a result of his intervention, the Deoli hunger-strikers gave up on November 22 their thirty-one days' fast.

He says:

"On November 11, 1941, I visited the Deoli Detention Camp with the permission of the Government of India on behalf of the All-India Detenus Aid Committee to persuade the remaining hunger-strikers to give up the same. After consultations amongst themselves, they informed me that it was not possible for them to terminate their fast at that stage. They, however, told me, that they would be prepared to call off their strike if assurances either from the Central Government or Provincial Governments concerned were given that after repatriation to their home provinces, they will be treated in the same manner as in Deoli Camp, pending the final decision of their demands by the Government, and that the Provincial Governments would give sympathetic consideration to their demands.

I was further given to understand by them that in the cases of U. P. and Bihar, the question of Deoli treatment was not of so much importance, for there the treatment, at least in the matter of diet, etc., was already on the same lines. The question of assurance, therefore, was important in the case of the Punjab detenus most of whom were treated as ordinary "C" class prisoners in the Punjab before they were sent to the Deoli Camp.

"Since the termination of the hunger-strike by the bulk of the detenus the Government of India, in consultation with the Provincial Governments concerned, were giving their active consideration to their demands.

LAST CITADEL.

"A deputation consisting of Mr. Asaf Ali, Dr. Gopi Chand Bhargava, Lala Deshbandhu Gupta, Pt. Sri Ram and myself interviewed the Hon Sir Sikander Hayat Khan in Delhi on November 20, 1941. He gave a patient and sympathetic hearing to the narration of the relevant facts, put before him regarding the Deoli hunger-strike. As a result of this interview the All-India Detenus Aid Committee felt assured that the Punjab detenus would, on repatriation, and pending the final settlement of their other demands, continue to receive substantially the same treatment as they are getting in Deoli and there would be no variation in the Deoli scale of diet. I have no doubt the U. P. and Bihar Governments would have no difficulty in pursuing the same policy.

The All-India Detenus Aid Committee, therefore, deputed me to proceed to Deoli to assure the hunger-strikers on behalf of the Committee and request them to terminate their strike. I am glad to announce the detenus were good enough to accept the assurance and request the Committee and agreed to call off the strike at 5 o'clock on November 22, 1941, after 31 days' fast.—A. P.

Arbitration For Madras Bus Dispute

MADRAS, Nov. 24.
The Hon. Sir Sidney Burn, Judge of the Madras High Court will arbitrate in the Madras City Bus Dispute between the workers and bus-owners, both the parties having agreed to abide by the decision of the arbitrator. The arbitration inquiry will begin this week.—A. P.

INDIANS MUST RELY ON OWN EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE FREEDOM

BOMBAY, Monday.
"Instead of waiting on the goodwill of foreign rule, however high-minded it may be, for the achievement and preservation of our freedom, it is better to rely on our own efforts", said Mr. Abidalli Jafferbhoy presiding at a public meeting held on Monday night in Haridas Premji Chawl Compound, Khetwadi Back Road, Girgaum.

In the course of his speech, the President said, that India was prepared to be governed either by Jinnah, or Savarkar rather than live under foreign rule.

Others who spoke at the meeting were Messrs. Baburao Gholap, Mansingrao Jagtap, Yashwant Parulekar, and Keshavrao Kubal.

Dr. S. D. D. Sathe, who is to offer Satyagraha to-morrow morning, explained how Mahatma Gandhi desired to win freedom for the country by non-violent means. Dr. Sathe was then garlanded by the President.

CAWNPORE, Nov. 23.
The second U. P. Muslim Students' Conference was held today under the presidentship of Mr. Nawab Siddiq Ali Khan, M. L. A. (C. P.), who said that the difference between Hindus and Muslims developed when the Congress refused to admit the Muslim Leaguers into their cabinet in the provinces where they were in power.

Mr. Mohammad Sami, Chairman of the Reception Committee, criticised the Vidya Mandir scheme, and said that if this scheme was successful it would lead to the destruction of Muslim culture.—A. P.

Huge Joke To Befool Indians

Ex-Premier Of U. P. Criticises Amery's Interpretation Of Atlantic Charter

DEHRA DUN, Nov. 24.
"Narrow-mindedness can never solve the vital problems of the world. We want to lift the world to a higher moral plane so that all may live together happily as brethren, doing good to each other", declared Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant, former Premier of the United Provinces, addressing a public meeting here last evening.

Pandit Pant said that they wanted peace and happiness in the world and that none should suffer from hunger and fear; this could not be possible as long as all countries were not free and able to manage their own affairs.

Pandit Pant said that while Congressmen believed in non-violence, others placed their faith in violence. But they would establish the efficiency of non-violence. They had the guidance of Mahatma Gandhi, in this matter. All the ills of the world, he said, could be ended through non-violence.

HUGE JOKE

Referring to Mr. Amery's recent pronouncement that the August offer was in no way less than the Atlantic Charter and that Dominion Status was the highest status in the world, Pandit Pant declared that it was a huge joke to befool Indians. The Atlantic Charter gave the right to every country to which it was applicable, to have its own form of Government. Mr. Amery was right when he said that freedom was not given but acquired by one's own efforts.

He declared: "We, however, care neither for the Atlantic Charter nor the August offer. The condition of all countries is changing. The events of the world are forcing the pace and bringing these things to us. Our energy and determination and the events of the world are irresistible, as they are all contributing towards that righteous end. We are going to build our freedom through our own efforts. We can achieve it by strengthening the Congress organisation and by carrying out its mandates. Let us march on courageously."

Pandit Pant emphasised that only a few could participate in the Satyagraha but all could carry on the constructive programme and thus contribute their respective quota towards the national cause. The principles of the Congress were equally beneficial to all, irrespective of caste or creed. They were all Indians; what was good or bad for one was equally good or bad for the others.—A. P.

RIFLE CLUBS FOR CIVIC GUARDS

The C. P. Government is starting seven Rifle Clubs for Civic Guards in seven Districts of the Province at a cost of Rs. 4,000.

AXIS LOSSES ON LIBYAN FRONT

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There has been very tough fighting and infantry on both sides have been in action in that area".

SUPPLY SAFE.

The spokesman said that all British supply arrangements were working very well and stressed the importance of the capture of Gambut, which is one of the main enemy supply bases, though they presumably are still drawing supplies from Gazala.

It can be presumed that the Germans have left Gambut aerodrome. The R. A. F. are hampering Axis supplies by day but the enemy is taking advantage of the darkness when it is difficult to detect lorries.

The number of tank engagements is diminishing partly because of the numerous early casualties but both sides have very efficient repair services for repairing and servicing tanks on the battlefield. Some reports have created the impression there is little air opposition but there is considerable air opposition which shows a tendency to grow.

Fighting has not been so much over the battle area or the British rear areas but over German areas because the R. A. F. has gone there and compelled Axis planes to do battle there. The Germans are using their Air force very well.

R. A. F. Over Libya

CAIRO, Nov. 24.
Besides heavy strafing of the enemy, the R. A. F. yesterday destroyed 18 aircraft in Libya and three in Malta for the loss of 13 British planes.—Reuter.

Closing In Around Gondar

NAIROBI, November 24.
Gondar, the last Italian stronghold in East Africa is in process of being invested.

A Joint Communique issued by the British Command and Air Headquarters states: "Our forces are closing in around Gondar and enemy positions at Azozo south of the town are now under our artillery fire. Bombers and fighters of the South African Air Force and the R.A.F. continually attacked enemy positions."—Reuter.

Mr. C. D. Deshmukh, I.C.S., is appointed Deputy Governor of the Reserve Bank of India in the vacancy caused by the retirement of Sir Manilal Nanavati.

Orissa Ministers Sworn In

CUTTACK, Nov. 24.
The Maharaja of Parlakimedi Pandit Godavaris Misra and Maulvi Abdus Sobhan Khan, who have been appointed members of Council of Ministers by the Governor of Orissa, took their oaths of office in the forenoon to-day.

Orissa is the first of the seven provinces where suspension of the constitution, following resignation by Congress Ministries, has been revoked and a new Ministry formed. Orissa was also the first province which declared a majority for the Congress party in the last general election to the provincial Assembly.

Division Of Portfolios

A new portfolio of Publicity has been created which will be held by Pandit Godavaris Misra in the new Ministry.

A Gazette "Extraordinary" notification says that the Maharaja of Parlakimedi will hold the portfolios of Home Affairs (excluding Publicity), Local Self-Government and P.W.D., Pandit Misra will hold the portfolios of Finance, Home Affairs (Publicity), Development and Education and Mr. Sobhan Khan those of Law, Commerce, Revenue and Health.—A. P.

When Orissa Assembly Will Meet

Asked as to when the Assembly will meet, the Maharaja of Parlakimedi said: "We will endeavour to face the Assembly as soon as possible, but we require a little time and at this stage I may say that it will not be later than the third week of January."

Concluding the Maharaja Saheb said: "I hope our move to end the political impasse will be appreciated and receive popular support throughout India."—A. P.

BATTLE FOR MOSCOW

(Continued from page 1)
this area. They lost ten tanks and the equipment of one Infantry Brigade in killed and wounded but with nightfall German superior numbers succeeded in pressing the Russian defenders back. Germans made no less than six attempts in one day to cross a river in the same area but here the Russians held their ground destroying German pontoon bridges as fast as they were built.—Reuter.

Spanish Blue Division Routed

MOSCOW:—The Spanish "Blue Division" has been sent to the Leningrad front to compensate for the tremendous losses of German troops there, says a supplement to the Soviet midnight "communique". "In the very first engagements, the Spanish division sustained tremendous losses. Our troops seized a report of Commander Grandes to the Commander of the German army corps complaining of the heavy battering and enormous losses and asking for warm clothing, Vodka and bread to keep the spirits of his troops. In reply to this request the German General Von Leeb sent an expression of his sympathy for the heavy losses sustained by the Spanish division".

German Claim

LONDON:—A German "communique" claims the capture of the town of Solndt Schnogorski 50 kilometres north-west of Moscow.—Reuter.

RUSSIANS CAPTURE MALAYA VISHERA

MOSCOW, Nov. 24.
Soviet troops have dislodged the Germans from the town of Malaya Vishera north-east of Novgorod on the Leningrad-Moscow railway, reports a "Red Star" correspondent on the north-western front.

The Germans lost here over a thousand men and are now in retreat.

Fighting Along Entire Front

The Soviet night "communique" states:—

"During November 23 our troops fought the enemy along all fronts. The fighting was particularly violent in the directions of Klin, Volokolamsk, Tula and Rostov-on-Don.

On November 22, ten German aircraft were destroyed. We lost four planes.

"In the Barentz Sea our ships sank three enemy transports".

3,000 Germans Killed On Leningrad Front

Soviet units in two months fighting on the Leningrad front, according to figures which are still incomplete, have killed more than 3,000 German soldiers and officers and destroyed 11 German tanks and two ammunition dumps.

They have brought down two enemy planes and captured nine field guns, 22 trench mortars, 26 machine-guns, 104 sub-machine-guns and three enemy regimental standards, many rifles, automatic rifles shells, mines and cartridges. This report was issued by the Soviet in a supplement to midnight "communique".

Heavy German Losses In Men & Material

MOSCOW, Nov. 24.
A 60 kilometre advance was claimed in a special broadcast by the Moscow radio this morning, describing the Soviet counter-offensive on the southern front, west of Rostov during the last three days. A Soviet Information Bureau announcement reads as a result of the counter-offensive undertaken by Soviet troops on the southern front, west of Rostov between November 20 and 23, the 49th German Alpine Rifle Corps, the S. S. Viking Division and the 16th Tank Division. German losses exceed 7,000 men.

Forty-six German aircraft were shot down in the course of these operations. By the evening of November 23, Soviet troops pursuing the enemy had advanced 60 kilometres from their original positions, Soviet troops destroyed 111 guns, 55 tanks, 365 lorries, 115 motor-cycles and many machine-guns together with quantities of other war materials".

NAZI AERODROMES IN FRANCE BOMBED

R.A.F. Attack On Brest, Dunkirk And L'Orient

LONDON, Nov. 24.
The aerodromes in France from which German bombers operate against Britain were attacked by Fighter Command planes during last night, says the Air Ministry news service.

The pilots flew American-built 'havocs' and used a mixture of instantaneous and delayed action bombs. At one aerodrome the landing lights were on when one British aircraft arrived but after the first bomb the lights were extinguished and searchlights and aircraft fire vainly sought the planes. An enemy aircraft about to land was machinegunned and a searchlight was put out of action.

NAZI NAVAL BASES BOMBED.

R. A. F. bombers last night attacked naval bases at L'Orient, and Brest and the docks at Dunkirk, it is learned in London.

RAIDS ON BRITAIN.

An Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security Communique stated: "Early last night there was slight enemy activity mainly over the south-west coast of England. A small number of persons were injured and a few houses slightly damaged. Two enemy aircraft were destroyed."

FR. NORTH AFRICAN OFFICIALS BUSY

LONDON, Nov. 4.
Admiral Platon, the Vichy Secretary of State for Colonies, who arrived at Porto Novo, the provisional capital of Dahomey, on Sunday, in the course of a tour of inspection through French North Africa, later went on to Lome, the capital of Togo, according to the Berlin radio. He left Lome by plane yesterday evening.

Gen. Bergeret, the Vichy Secretary of State for Air who was also touring in North Africa after visiting Bizerta yesterday inspected airbases at Sfax and Gades.

The new Commander-in-Chief of the French forces in North Africa Gen. Juin, left Rabat in Morocco on his way to Algiers, where he will officially take over his post

DARLAN'S COLLABORATOR.

Admiral Darlan's closest collaborator in matters appertaining to the Navy, Admiral Auphan, has arrived at Vichy from Algiers, according to the Paris radio Admiral Auphan had been visiting North Africa.

Sir Earle Page's Status

CANBERRA, Nov. 24.
The Prime Minister, Mr. Curtin, questioned regarding the status of Sir Earle Page stated to-day that he had received cablegrams from both Mr. Churchill and Sir Earle Page expressing satisfaction with the present arrangements.

Mr. Curtin added that Sir Earle Page attended War Cabinet meetings, held discussion with ministers and had regular contact with Mr. Churchill. While not the Australian Prime Minister's deputy Sir Earle Page was the spokesman for the Commonwealth and every facility was given to carry out his mission.—Reuter.

Money On "Ark Royal" Saved

LONDON, Nov. 24.
How £20,000—all the money aboard "Ark Royal"—were saved by an officer was described by "Ark Royal's" Lt.-Commander to-day following the arrival of the entire ship's company in England.

During embarkation to a destroyer on which there were already many "Ark Royal" men, the Paymaster-Commander appeared with his suitcases. "There was general cheering and some chatting", said the officer, "and I thought and everybody thought that he was going away for the week-end. But he cried out that he had all the ship's money in the two suitcases—£10,000 in each. We got him off."—Reuter.

Godhra Kisans' Demands

(From Our Correspondent)
GODHRA, Nov. 23.
The Godhra Taluka Kisan Conference met to-day at Khandia under the presidentship of Mr. Vinodchandra Shah. The conference was inaugurated by Mr. Kamlashanker Pandya, Joint Secretary of All-India Kisan Sabha.

Mr. Jivanlal Desai unfurled the tricolour flag.

Speeches were made about famine condition in Gujarat and resolutions were passed demanding remission of land revenue and suspension of civil decrees and tagavi laws.

Century Mill Weavers Again On Strike

Sequel To Failure To Put Up Notice Intimating Better Scale Of Wages

BOMBAY, Monday.
One thousand weavers of the Century Mills, Bombay, went on strike this morning as their demand for increased wages was not met by the mill authorities.

The strike which started on the night of Monday last was given up on the intervention of the Labour Officer on Saturday when the strikers resumed work.

It is understood that the workers were given an assurance that they would be granted better scales of wages as per their demands, and that a notice to that effect would be put up on the board to-day.

As no such notice was forthcoming the weavers struck work again this morning.

CHANGE IN A. I. T. U. C. SESSION DATES

CALCUTTA, Nov. 24.
The dates for the ensuing Calcutta session of the All-India Trade Union Congress have been changed from December 20 and 21 to January 3 and 4. The decision to make this change was taken at a meeting of the Reception Committee of the session, held here this evening.—A. P.

CALCUTTA WINS INTER-'VARSITY SOCCER

CALCUTTA, November 24
In the replay of the final of the Inter-University Football Tournament, Calcutta University beat the Punjab University today by three goals to 1.—A.P.

C. P. Team For Ranji Trophy

NAGPUR, November 24
The following team has been selected to represent the C. P. and Berar in the Ranji Trophy match to be played here against Madras on November 29 and 30 and December 1:

D. R. Rutnam (captain); N. D. Sane, Pandurang Naidu, Ramutu Naidu, U. N. Konfra, H. C. Gaikwad, S. A. Lateef, Mohd. Hussain, V. V. Deo, E. Mano, P. N. Kesri, Reserves: Ishaqali, Masud Ahmad. A.P.

Lucknow Beats Delhi

LUCKNOW, November 24
The Lucknow University won the North Zone semi-final of the Inter-'Varsity Cricket Tournament for the Rohinton Baria Cup by defeating the Delhi University by 79 runs.

Delhi resumed their second innings this morning and were all out before lunch for a total of 160.

Lucknow University (First Innings) 126; Second Innings 171.

Delhi University (First Innings) 57; Second Innings 160.—A.P.

Hyderabad Skipper

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Nov. 24
As S. M. Hadi is unable to captain Hyderabad State Cricket Eleven in the first round of the Inter-Provincial Cricket Tournament to be played at Bangalore on November 29 and 30 and December 1, owing to an injury to his arm, Lt. Ushaq Ahmed has been selected to lead the Hyderabad team.—A.P.

Sind Champion Extended In Northern India Tennis

LAHORE, November 24
Miss K. Haji, the Sind champion, was thoroughly extended by Mrs. G. W. Lall in the Northern Indian Lawn Tennis Championship in Lahore on Monday afternoon. The local player won the first set at a cost of only one game but lost the subsequent two during which Karachi player played superb tennis.

Miss Leela Row and Miss Woodbridge had no difficulty in eliminating Miss Aziz and Miss K. Sondhi in the women's doubles, the latter pair getting only four games.

Irshad Hussain of Aligar University displayed good form to beat C. L. Savara in two sets.

Men's Singles: Ghaus Mohamed beat N. Bhandari 6—3, 6—3; J. C. Dhamija w o Mahmud Alam; Bakshi Tarlok beat T. Shewaramani 6—4, 6—0; Ahmed Hussain beat Nashu Sen 6—0, 7—5; Jaswant Singh beat Prem Bhalla 2—6, 6—2, 6—1; Iftikhar Ahmed beat B. K. Khanna 6—3, 6—2; Shamsher Singh w o Prem Pandhi; Max F. Ellmer beat Prag Nath 6—1, 6—1; S. L. R. Sawhney beat Man Mohan Bhandhari, 6—0, 6—3; Irshad Hussain beat C. L. Savara 6—1, 6—4.

Women's Singles: Miss Woodbridge beat Miss Aziz 6—2, 6—0; Mrs. Massy beat Mrs. Comerford 6—0, 6—3; Miss K. Haji beat Mrs. G. W. Lala 1—6, 6—2, 6—2.

Boys' Singles: J. C. Bhandhari beat Rajinder Mohan 6—0, 6—2; Rajinder Sachar beat N. D. Bhatia 6—2, 6—1; Krishnan Kishore beat Inderjit 6—2, 6—1; Rajinder Nath beat Ranbir Shamsher 6—1, 6—4; Narinder Lok Nath beat Gautam Khanna 6—1, 6—0.

Men's Doubles: S. L. R. Sawhney and H. L. Soni beat Kuldip Parkash and S. K. Kaul 6—1, 6—3.

Women's Doubles: Miss Leela Row and Miss Woodbridge beat Miss K. Sondhi and Miss Aziz 6—1, 6—3.—A.P.

Champions Of Kandivli Sports Meet

(From A Correspondent)
The first sports meeting, organised by the staff and students of the T. I. P. E., Kandivli, was held on Saturday last. The function commenced with the march-past and oath taking. The events included running, jumping and relays, both for women and men.

Mr. Joseph, the Principal, presided and gave away the prizes.

The championship for men was won by Mr. M. G. Desai (Jawahar House), while Miss Kurane (Bharathis) won the championship for women.

The President, in the course of his address, said the idea of conducting such meets in the Institute was to give the students experience in organizing activities on Olympic standard.

Madras Autumn Races To-morrow

MADRAS, November 24.
The first day's races of the Madras autumn meeting fixed for last Saturday but were postponed at the eleventh hour owing to heavy rains will be run on Wednesday, November 26. The programme framed for last Saturday holds good for Wednesday.—A

TENNIS AT BANGALORE.

BANGALORE—C. Barker who had already annexed the singles championship and Mrs. Jaffries beat J. R. Blake and Mrs. Blake in the mixed doubles final of the Bowring Institute Hard-court Tennis Tournament which came to a successful conclusion on Sunday evening.—A. P.

The Half-Column
By "Dim"

I have been noticing that at a number of private and public places the Police band is much in evidence. While I do not in any way want to detract from the importance of this band, I feel that a number of kindly people and institutions like the Municipality, the Turf Club may consider the question of giving work to a handful of Indian Army ex-Servicemen, who have done their bit in life and now are dependant on such earnings as they can eke out in life out of work in a band or wherever they can find employment. These men are now almost nowhere to be seen and since music plays a very small part in the day's racing on Saturdays at the Course, may I suggest to the Secretary of the R. W. I. T. C., (who incidentally has been referring to statements of mine in his letters to obscure journals) that as a corollary to "Come to the Races and help War effort," I may suggest to him to "employ ex-Servicemen and remember the old soldiers." It would be a gesture that would appeal to a great majority race-goers.

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The "Empire News" reveals that Subhas Bose was smuggled out of India in a sari. That's nothing compared to the smuggling into India of Lady Farooq Shah!

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Now being advertised all over town is the Free French Ball on December 2nd. It is a dinner dance at the Taj and I understand that so keen is the desire of many to help the cause of Free France that the booking is already going heavy. It is apparent that de Gaulle by his courage has endeared himself to the hearts of all freedom-loving people. We who are freedom-lovers first and foremost naturally find something in the Free French movement which appeals to us. So help Free France and come to the Ball.

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Started by the generous donation of an Englishman is a Bath Canteen a little further on from Green Gate (Ballard Road). To J. B. Greaves of Greaves Cotton falls the honour of making this gesture, appreciated by all because he has built a canteen for ALL soldiers, Indian, British alike. What is more praiseworthy is the manner in which he gave—quietly, spontaneously and without the fan-fare of trumpets which accompanies many charitable gestures these days. Now the canteen is ready to be started and I understand there is a call for men volunteers to help to assist in the running of it—to collect the men's belongings, to exchange tokens for them, to help them in many other ways during the bath, where lady workers cannot. Would any young men find time for this very good cause? I had a number of volunteers for the Aid-to-Russia affair. Would any of those young men care to take this job on? Their help would, I feel sure, be much appreciated.

REFRESHING REX COOLING
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SITUATION NORMAL IN SISGANJ GURDWARA

NEW DELHI, Nov. 24.

The situation this morning was normal near the Sisganj Gurdwara. A Sikh 'Diwan' was held in the Gurdwara at Rakhabganj, New Delhi, to-day to discuss yesterday's events.

The latest reports state that the two children injured in Gandhi ground yesterday are recovering from their injuries. The report that they died is not correct.

BAN EXTENDED

The Sikh Diwan held in Gurdwara Rakabganj, New Delhi, passed a resolution condemning "the attitude of the police" yesterday near the place where Guru Granth Sahib was kept and demanding an impartial enquiry.

The order under Sec. 144 Cr. P C. has been extended for two days from to-day within the limits of the Delhi Municipality.—A. P.

BENGAL CONGRESSMEN GAGGED

CALCUTTA, November 24.

"Although I have long ceased to expect any respect for personal and civil liberty from the reactionary ministry of Bengal in its Home Department I confess that their latest action in gagging three prominent Congressmen successively has surprised even me in its high-handedness," says Mr Sarat Chandra Bose, Leader of the Opposition in the Bengal Legislative Assembly referring to the orders recently served on Mr. Narendra Narayan Chakraborthy, M.L.A., Mr. Hemanta Kumar Bose, Secretary of the Provincial Forward Bloc and Mr. Aswini Kumar Ganguly, prominent member of the suspended Provincial Congress Committee, who, according to Mr. Bose, "were engaged in perfectly legitimate activities."—A. P.

EX-DANDI MARCHER JAILED

(From A Correspondent)

ALIBAUG, November 21.

For the second time Chintaman Sastri Joshi, a well-known Congress worker, offered Satyagraha by shouting an anti-war slogan on the 14th instant at a Chawl in Alibaug Taluka. A large crowd of men and women gathered on this occasion. He was immediately brought to Alibaug and the Mamlatdar sentenced him to four months' simple imprisonment with B Class.

It may be recalled here that Mr. Joshi was one among the first selected 80 followers of Mahatmaji's well-known Dandy March in 1929.

RELIEF MEASURES

Nearly Rs. 2000 were distributed to various institutions in Alibaug Taluka from the Parjanya-Kund which was recently opened to please the rain God a Chawl. Rs. 5,153-12-3 were collected, out of which Rs. 3451-5-6 were spent and the remaining balance is given by way of donation.

KONKAN EDUCATION SOCIETY

In order to have a sound democratic elements in the institution the Konkan Education Society has called a meeting of all the District leading citizens in Bombay on the 30th of this month. The Society has unfortunately decided to close one of its five centres at Mahad in view of the growing opposition of the Mahad public which has set up at present a rival municipal school. It is eagerly hoped that careful and sympathetic consideration will be given to the present life-members, of the Society who have worked in the field of secondary education for the last 25 years.

Mahakoshal Satyagrahis

JUBBULPORE, Nov. 23.

One hundred and forty more bonafide Satyagrahis of Mahakoshal, including 88 from the Bilaspur and 52 from the Balaghat Districts have been disqualified from offering Satyagraha and their names have been struck off the rolls of the approved Satyagrahis, as they were reluctant to offer the Satyagraha within the prescribed time.—A. P.

C. P. Satyagraha Statistics

NAGPUR Nov. 24.

On 15th November, 250 persons were undergoing detention or imprisonment in the C. P. and Berar under the Defence of India Rules. Convictions in the C. P. on that date were 1,090 of whom 1,041 were Satyagrahis and 49 non-Satyagrahis. Fifty-eight (53 Satyagrahis, five non-Satyagrahis) M.L.As were convicted to substantive terms of imprisonment or detained under Rule 26 of the Defence of India Act. Of those 5? were released, leaving four in prison. As ten of these offered Satyagraha for a second time there were 14 M.L.As in prison on November 15.—A. P.

Sikhs Protest Against Tear Gas

NEW DELHI, Nov. 24.

A large number of Sikhs assembled at the Rakabganj Gurdwara this morning to record protest against the use of tear-gas by the police on Sikh Dewan yesterday in the Gandhi Grounds.

A resolution demanding the Government to appoint an impartial enquiry committee was adopted.

A sub-committee was formed to take up the matter to the higher authority.

An order under Section 144 Cr. P. C. has been extended by another two days.—United Press.

Mr. G. H. Mistry, well-known Gujerati artist and principal of Nootan Kala Niketan, Bombay.

CENTRAL ASSEMBLY FIASCO AND AFTER

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try to show a spirit of responsiveness. It is probably due to this desire that both in the Assembly and in the Council of State, resolutions moved by non-official members were generally accepted sometimes with a few verbal alterations. Formerly non-official resolutions used to form the subject of keen contest between the two sides of the House, and if passed at all in spite of the combined vote of official, nominated and pro-official members, it was well-known that it would make no difference to the Government's policy. Many are the resolutions passed by the Assembly in previous years which are still waiting to be acted upon. As a different policy has now been adopted to enable non-official members to pass their resolutions with the tacit consent of the Government themselves, it remains to be seen whether the Government's policy will be shaped in accordance with these resolutions in the proper spirit and with the necessary speed.

What Next?

The session of the Central Legislature which has now concluded has also had certain important lessons for the future. For instance, it is clear that the present diarchical arrangement—an Indian majority side by side with a powerful minority of European officials holding charge of the key portfolios in the Viceroy's Council—is not a healthy arrangement. It is not easy for officials brought up in bureaucratic traditions to adjust themselves to the ways of thinking and the policies which Indian non-officials trained in political life are associated with. Clashes of temeraments and clashes of ideologies are not good for a Cabinet charged with the responsibility of running an administration—especially at a time like this of war when a strong and unified policy is necessary.

The answers given by the Defence Secretary on Army questions, for instance, showed a spirit which was not quite compatible with the new spirit which the new Indian Members of Government have been anxious to demonstrate. It is clear that in order to strengthen the Government's working itself and introduce the Cabinet type of Government in a truly progressive spirit, it is necessary that the Viceroy's Council should be completely Indianised. There is really no administrative need for the official element in the Council, for non-officials can as efficiently discharge the duties of the portfolios of Finance, Home and Communications as any officials. It is even more necessary to have an Indian Defence Member for giving the popular touch to Defence administration and giving an effective share to the Legislature in the formulation and working of Defence policies.

DR. SATHE AND MR. G. SHARMA TO OFFER SATYAGRAHA TO-DAY

BOMBAY, Monday.

Intimation of their intention to offer Satyagraha is understood to have been given to the Commissioner of Police, to-day, by two local Congressmen.

Dr. D. D. Sathe, it is learnt, will re-offer Satyagraha, opposite Congress House, to-morrow at 8-30 a.m., while Mr. Gajendra Sharma, a Congress worker, proposes to shout slogans opposite "C" Ward District Congress Committee at 6 p.m.

NEW YORK COTTON NINE POINTS DOWN

COTTON:

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES.

MARCH

New York, November 24

Previous closing	15.17
To-day's opening	15.23
Difference	+06
To-day's closing	15.08
Difference	—09

BROACH EXPECTATION.

Broach April/May ..... Rs. 238

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, November 24

The New York cotton displayed decidedly better sentiment with prices on uptrend on scattered trade and local buying. Trading in March began at 15.23 i.e. six points higher than the last closing. Prices advanced on improved local support but at higher levels increased liquidation and spot-house selling appeared with prices tending to downward trend.

Following are the New York opening ranges :—

December (15.05/04) 15.98/98
March (15.28/28) 16.25/23
May (15.35/35) 16.34/34

LONDON COMMODITIES.

London, November 24

SEEDS

Castorseeds November/December (£20 3/8 quoted) £20 3/8 quoted

Linseed Bombay Calcutta November/December (£20 1/2 quoted) £20 3/4 quoted

Linseed La Plata November (£13 1/4 quoted) £13 3/4 quoted

Groundnut Coromandal Coast Nov/Dec (£19 quoted) £19 quoted

JUTES

Dundee October/November unquoted

Lightning October/November unquoted

RUBBER

Spot unquoted

Forward December unquoted

LONDON METALS

Tin (£257 3/4 buyers. £258 sellers. Steady) £257 buyers; £257 1/2 sellers. Quiet.

Electric Copper (£62) £62

Lead (£25) £25

Glasgow Iron No. 2 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

EXCHANGES:

CROSS RATES.

T T. NEW YORK ON LONDON

New York, November 24

Previous closing	4.03 3/4
To-day's opening	4.03 3/4

T T LONDON ON NEW YORK

London November 24

Previous closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's opening	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2

LONDON BULLION.

LONDON GOLD

London, November 24

London Gold (£8-8-0) £8-8-0

LONDON SILVER

London, November 24

Spot (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d
Forward (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1-c) 1-6
Paris on Bombay not quoted
New York on Milan not quoted
New York on Bombay (30.36) 30.36
London on Shanghai (0-2 27/32 to 0-3 3/16) 0-2 27/32 to 0-3 3/16
London on Kobe not quoted

DISCOUNTS

3 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent.
4 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent
5 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent.

BULLION AND SEEDS

Bombay, November 24

There was no trading during night session.

New York Stock Exchange

New York, November 24

New York Stock Exchange opening prices are as under :—

General Motors (dol 37 1/4) dol 37 3/8
Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 27) dol 27 1/4
U S Steel Common (dol 53 1/4) dol 53 3/8
U S Steel Preference (unquoted) dol 115 1/2

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

Speculatives Firm

CALCUTTA, November 24

The Stock Exchange continued firm and active after the week-end. Cottons, coals, jutes, teas and the favourite miscellaneous issues kept firm and a fair business was put through. The speculative Engineering and Mining issues continued firm and unchanged. Government securities were unchanged.

Government securities : 3 per cent Government Paper 82/4; 3 per cent loan 1963/65 95/4 odd lot; 3 per cent Defence Bonds 1946 102/2 small lots; 3 per cent Defence Loan 1949/52 99/12 small lot; 3 1/2 per cent Government Paper 96; 3 1/2 per cent loan 1947/50, 103/8 small odd lot; 3 1/2 per cent loan 1954/59 103/9; 4 per cent 1960/70 111/2 small lots; 5 per cent loan 1945/55 110/12 small lot; 3 per cent U P 1952 99/2 small lot.

Banks : Reserve 107.

Cottons : Benares Cotton and Silk 6/2; Bengal Nagpur 20/4; Bowreah 411; do B pref 111; Dunbar 283; Elgin Mills ord 31/13; Kesoram 10/8; New Victoria ord 6/6; do defd 1/14.

Coals : Bengal 416 small lot; Bhalgora 6/12; Bokaro and Ramgur 19/6; Burra Dhemo 7/11; Central Kurkend 16/14; Churulia 2/2; Dhemo Main 14/15; Ghusick and Musulia 5/12; Hurriaidih 14/8; Jainty Central 2/1; Lakurka 12/9; Mundulpoor 11/13; Nazira 10/1; Parasea 1/7; Rewa 26/12 ex div; Samla 2/14; Satpukuria and Asansol 1/2; Singaran A 1/10; do B 1/13; South Karanpura 6; Talcher 2/12; West Jamuria 34 small lot;

Jutes : Adamjee 35/12; Agarpara 44/12; Albion 254; Albion pref 173 small lots; Alliance 392; Anglo-India 407/8; Bally 283/8; Barnagore 120; Belvedere 457; Birla 38; do pref 144; Budge Budge 443; Calcutta Jute 26/4; Caledonian 466 small lots; Champdany 217; Cheviot 235; Chitavaisah 19/8; Clive 30/2; Craig 2/10; Dalhousie 410; Delta 506; Empire 34; Fort Gloster 668/8; Gourepore 781; Hooghly 80/8; Howrah 64; do A 174; Hukumchand 18/6; do pref 168; India 440 small lot; Kamarhatty 585; Kankinarrah 470; do pref 157/8 ct; Kinnison 791; Lawrence 588; Lothian 353; Lothian pref 174; Megna 67/8; Naihati 400; Naskarpara 21/8; National 29/6; Nellimarla 15; New Central 382/8; Northbrook 49/8; Nuddea 70 ex div; Orient 232; Presidency 7/1; Reliance 67/10; Rameswara 11/14; Soorah 13/14; Union 570; Waverley 4/10;

Miscellaneous : Burma Corporation 4/14; Consolidated Tin 2/10; Indian Co Assam Bengal Cement ord 16/1; do defd 4/2; Dalmia Cement 16/12; do pref 125/8; Rawalpindi Elec 28/4; Bharatia Elec Steel 17/11; Britannia Building 13/6; Burn and Co 410 ct; Indian Iron 36/14; Indian Steel and Wire defd 38/8; Kumardhubi Eng 6/15; do pref 155 small lot; National Iron 13/5; Steel Corpn ord 22/6; do pref 125 c div; Alluminium Corpn ord 14/5; do old Pref 125 small odd lot; Associated Hotel pref 100; B I Corpn ord 5/11; Dunlop Rubber ord 51; Indian Wood Products 31/2; Ivan Jones 2/14; Indian Cables 28/12; Rohtas Industry ord 26/6; British Burma Petrol 4/8; Bengal Paper ord 158; Indian Paper Pulp 174; Mysore Paper ord 18/15; Orient Paper ord 19/11; Star Paper ord 17/6 ex div; Shree Gopal Paper ord 17/13; Titaghur Paper ord 25; Midnapore Zemindary 82 small lots; Indian Genl Navgn 99 small lots; Balrampore 13/8; Carew and Co ord 13; New Savan 14/4; Purtabpore ord 13/4; Raza Sugar 28/12 c div; Ramnugger Cane ord 12/8; Samastipore 11/12; Bateli 8/14; Dessai and Parbuttia 250; East India 11/8; Gopalpur 300 ct; Hantapara 465; Kalinugger and Khoreel 90; Kodala 22/12; Moheema ord 10/10; New Samanbagh 31/12; Patrakola 1078; Pussimbing 9/4; Ranicherra 14/10; Teapore ord 9/10; Teloijan 9/8;

Debentures : 5 1/2 per cent 1926 Calcutta Port Trust 123 small lot.—A.P.

BOMBAY WAR GIFTS FUND

Amount previously acknowledged : Rs. 72,96,017/0/1.

For R.A.F. : Rs. 100 the staff of the Bombay Gymkhana Ltd.

For Armoured Carriers for the Indian Army : Rs 101 Principals and Proprietors, Princess High School for Girls, Bombay.

For Lady Lumley's Appeal for A.Y.W.C.A. Hut for the Middle East : Rs. 100 Mr. and Mrs. W. R. G. Smith.

For the St. Dunstan's Fund : Rs. 1,340 the Mazagon Dock Recreation Club Ladies' Knitting Bee.

Grand Total on Monday : Rs. 72,98,098/8/1.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay : November 22.

		Highest	Lowest	Closing at 3 p.m.
Broach	A/M	243 1/2	241	242 3/4
Oomra	D/J	209	204 1/4	204 1/4
Oomra	March	199 1/2	196	198 1/2
Bengal	D/J	145 1/2	144	144
Bengal	March	149 1/4	147 3/4	147 3/4

3 1/2 PER CENT STERLING LOAN

London, November 24

3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at £99 1/4

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

London, November 24

6 per cent 1958/68 £104 1/4

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan £82 1/8
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan £106 1/2
2 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan £99 15/16
4 per cent Funding Loan £114 1/2
3 1/2 per cent War Loan £104 1/2
New York Loan £101 1/4
4 1/2 per cent Victory Bonds £113 7/8

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors 17-1
Marks and Spencer Ordinary 38-6
Electric Music Industry 15-0
Princhin Johnson 22-7
Imperial Chemical 33-4
Woolsworth New Ordinary 60-6
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates £74 3/4
Dundee 38-9
Unilever Ordinary 28-1
Ford Motors 25-1
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary £71
British American Tobacco Ordinary £5
Carreas 'A' £5 7/8
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary £6 1/2
P and O Def 30-1
Distillers 74-0
Bredfords Dye 8-0
British Celanese 7-1
J and P Coates 37-10
Courtaulds Ordinary 35-6
Fine Cotton Spinner 5-6
Vickers Limited Ordinary 18-0
Inter Nickel dol 42 3/8
Indian Iron 56-10

TEA SHARES

Assam 18-1
Donaro Tea 32-6
Empire of India 20-0

JUTE

Barnagore £8 1/2

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo-Dutch Rubber 17-3
Gula Kelampong 15-7
Rubber Plant Inv Trust 28-0

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug 17-9
Burma Corporation 6-9
Rio Tintos £8
East Rand Properties £2 3/16
Rand Mines £7 1/2

MINE SHARES

Crown £10 1/2
Associated Portland Cement 51-3
Trinidad Leasehold 68-9
Sub Nigel £7 7/16
Spring Mines Split Shares £1 1/4
Union Corporation 155-0

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian 36-3
Anglo India 47-6
Burma Oil £3 5/16
Mexican Eagle 11-10
Shell Transport £3 1/32
Royal Dutch £23 1/2

RAILWAY SHARES

Great Western Ordinary £42 3/4
London Midland Ordinary £16 1/2
London North Eastern Def £1 11/16
London Southern Defd £14 3/4
London Transport 5 per cent £128 1/2
London Transport £41 1/2

Bengal Treasury Bills

Tenders for Rs. 1,00,00,000 of three months' Government of Bengal Treasury Bills will be received at the office of the Reserve Bank of India, Bombay and Calcutta up to 1 p.m. (Standard Time) on Monday, the 1st December 1941.

Bills will be of the following denominations, viz., Rs. 25,000, Rs. 50,000, Rs. 1,00,000, Rs. 5,00,000 and Rs. 10,00,000.

Each tender should specify clearly the term of the bills applied for, the nominal value of the bills required and the price per cent which the tenderer is prepared to pay expressed in rupees, annas and quarter annas only.

Successful tenderers will be required to make payment and take up their bills on Wednesday, the 3rd December 1941.

COTTON PARITY.

Broach A/M below N. Y May 702 cent pts at Ex. 331.

AMERICAN COTTON WEEKLY STATISTICS
(IN 1,000'S)

New York, November 21

	Season to-date	This week	Season 1940/41
Total in sight (excluding linters)	5,249	514	5,450
Forwarded to American mills including other America (excluding linters)	3,507	313	3,071
Exports from U. S. ports	442	8	429
Stocks at U. S. ports	—	3,380	—
Stocks at U. S. interior towns	—	3,241	—
Receipts at U. S. ports	1,704	111	1,896

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DECEMBER LIQUIDATION PRIOR TO NOTICE DAY

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Bombay: November 24.

On Saturday the New York market was mainly influenced by December liquidation prior to the first notice day. After the completion of December liquidation the position of the market will be rendered healthy and prices being near the parity level renewed buying is anticipated.

NEW YORK MARKET

There was trade price fixing and short covering in the New York market on Saturday, but increased bear month liquidation and hedging depressed prices. A Houston spot firm bought December and sold March. However the principal feature was transferring of December.

The market opened at a rise of 3 pts with March quoted 16.28, which was the highest level. There was increased liquidation and prices declined to 16.15, which was the lowest level. The market closed at a net decline of 8 to 10 pts. Spot cotton prices were reduced 4 pts at 17.15c per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was quiet with moderate liquidation and closed 7 to 9 pts lower. Spot cotton was 9 pts down at 16.25c per lb.

WEEKLY REVIEW

The market restricted by disturbed Labour conditions and Far Eastern uncertainties with operations chiefly evening-up before the first notice day on November 28. Washington advises the House Agricultural Committee has modified the hundred per cent loan and will continue 85 per cent for three years but guaranteeing producers full parity returns. The Cotton Exchange estimates domestic consumption this season at 10,575,000 bales including 175,000 foreign. Owing to scarcity of offerings of desirable grades in the South considerable quantities of Californian are reported to have been sold to South-Eastern mills. Small trendless market is indicated pending clarification of prevailing uncertainties.

LOAN HOLDINGS

A Liverpool cable states:—Further United States cotton arrived in the past week presumably lease and lend. New York brokers reckon this season's free supply at about 16.5 million bales with consumption near the peak, because plants are fully occupied. Moreover it is difficult to obtain equipment and replacements, and accordingly there is the prospect of a large free carry-over unless much enters the loan. The loan returns upto 15th November 565,000 bales with the belief that the season's total may be below one million.

LOCAL SITUATION

Messrs. Anandilal Podar and Co. state:—Market seems obscessed over Japanese political situation. Because the Indian Government reveal that the enemy plane can fly upto 2,500 miles from its Axis controlled station and Calcutta is about 950 miles from such base. Thus, Karachi and Calcutta seem to be in danger spots, should any conflagration start in the Pacific. The latest Washington cables are conflicting, because, Mr. Cordell Hull had a long interview with Japanese delegates on Saturday and thereafter the officials said that "there were no especially new developments. Further meetings are expected early next week." So far according to reports, it appears that no bridge has been found for the passage of any negotiations and more or less, the position remains "status quo" with exploratory talks. Prior to this, the Japanese "Nichi Nichi" correspondent said such exploratory talks exploded. Barring a miracle no sanguine hope can be gleaned from the nature of negotiations, especially in view of feverish military mobilisation carried on in Japan.

Turning to market conditions Oomras weakened on Saturday on heavy arrivals in the interior and the expectation of sufficient local supply for the contract buyers. Although a certain amount of optimism can be justified by recent improvement in Indian trade and economic conditions, there has lately been a considerable speculative activity in seeds, shares, cloth, yarn and cotton. These heavily loaded bull accounts at near the top prices endanger the market's stability, especially should Japanese negotiations break off during this week. In view of this, we continue to recommend realising profits and watch for further Japanese developments.

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York October highest 16.28+03 (10 a.m.); lowest 16.15—10 (11-55 a.m.)

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:—

New York: Cotton declined on December liquidation but undertone good and after liquidation completed, expect definitely higher.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York: Nov. 22.

December	16.21—10
January	15.95—05
March	16.17—08
May	16.27—12
July	16.32—09
October	16.30—05

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay: November 24.

Following a decline of 8 pts in New York cotton futures and fears of no decision of American-Japanese talk had a damping effect on the local market. There was moderate liquidation and prices sagged but the market was supported by manipulators of Oomra contract. The market was hesitant awaiting clarification of uncertain factors. At the opening Broach A/M was quoted at Rs. 239/4 and declined to Rs. 238/8 in sympathy with decline in Oomra contract. It is said that Oomra D/J contract is firmly manipulated by some operators and one of them seems to be getting out. But the remaining operators came forward to support the market and Oomra after declining to Rs. 198/8 recovered to Rs. 202/8 and Broach also improved to Rs. 240/12 in sympathy.

Later on there was steady buying and Broach A/M delivery advanced to Rs. 142. Thereafter there appeared some liquidation and prices declined to Rs. 239/12. The market again ruled steady at Rs. 240/4. The market closed at 5 p.m. as under:—

BROACH April/May	Rs. 240/8
OOMRA Dec/Janry	Rs. 202/8
OOMRA March	Rs. 194/12
BENGAL Dec/Janry	Rs. 145/0
BENGAL March	Rs. 148/0

AMERICAN COTTON FIGURES

Bombay: November 24.

	1941/42	1940/41
F. P. Bales.		
Receipts to date 22-11-41	1716000	1913000
Receipts yesterday 21-11-41	12000	17000
Export to date 21-11-41	442000	429000
Stock at Ports 21-11-41	3380000	3198000
Stock at interior towns do.	3241000	3198000
Quantity in sight 21-11-41	5249000	5450000

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS

Bombay: November 24.

	Ready. Old.	Delry Contract New.	Dec./Jany.	
Bengal Fine	131/34	141	....	....
Berar	165/75	....	—2	—4
C. P. 1	212/15	....	+22	+20
C. P. 2	178/80	....	....	....
Khandesh	135/45	....	—28	—32
Muglai	153/58	....	....	....
Broach	198/203	....	....	....
Broach Low	163/68	....	....	....

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES.

Bombay: November 24.

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY In full-pressed bales. 23-11-41.	This year.	Since 1st Sept. Last year
Khandesh	11	262 1,059
Central India		2,221 333
Barsi and Nagar	190	8,383 2,273
Hyderabad/Gaorani		26
Berar	626	7,529 2,567
Central Provinces	31	3,844
Total Oomras	858	22,339 6,258
Dholleras		11,196 1,595
N.W. Provinces		349
Rajputana		18 210
Sind-Punjab	1,465	78,017 79,545
Broach	315	10,358 2,653
Coompta and Dharwar		4,707 15,002
Westerns-Northerns	137	5,307 13,882
Cocanada		170
Tinnevelly and Cambodia		4,990 58
Total	2,775	137,688 119,404
Arrived by road to 25th Nov. 1941		11,500 14,000

TEJI MANDI PREMIUMS

Bombay: November 24.

Wheat January	0 4 9
Wheat May	0 12 6
Linseed May	1 6 0
Groundnut February	3 12 0
Castorseed May	5 4 0
Cottonseed January	1 4 0
Silver 1st settlement	0 6 0
Silver 2nd settlement	0 10 0
Gold 1st settlement	0 8 0
Gold 2nd settlement	0 14 0

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Indian Stock Exchange

Bombay: November 24.

After a slightly easier opening the market tended to improve on scattered buying support, but towards the close again was inclined to rule easy. Tata Deferreds opened at 2175 and improved to 2200 but declined later to 2180. Tata Ordinaries moved narrowly between 410 and 412. Textile shares displayed a steady tone with Bombay Dyeings around 1340. Indian Irons were somewhat lower at 36/12.

The following were the important quotations on the Exchange to-day:—

Tata Deferreds (2180) 2175 2200 2180
Tata Ordinaries (411) 410 412 410.

Tata Ordinary 410. Tata Deferred 2180, Indian Iron 36/12, Steel Corpn of Bengal 22/12, Bombay Dyeing 1340, Central India 388/12, Century 441/4, Gokak 256/4, Kohinoor 502/8, Simplex 168, Andhra Valley 1750, Tata Hydro 185, Tata Power 1707/8, Associated Cement 171, Belapur 232 8, Bombay Burma Old 535.

MONEY MARKET

Bombay: November 24.

LONDON:—
Banks buying 90 days/St 1/6 1/4 2 months
Banks buying 90 days/St 1/6 9/32 Three months.
Banks buying 90 days/St 1/6 9/32 Four months.
B C RATES:—
T T 1/5 15/16; D D 1/5 15/16
Banks selling T T 1/5 31/32; D D 1/5 31/32
Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32; D D 1/6 1/8
NEW YORK:—
Banks selling T T Rs. 332 3/4; D D Rs. 332 3/4.
Banks buying T T Rs. 329 1/2; D D Rs. 329 1/2
Cross Rates Dol. 4.02 1/2; 3 1/2.
MONTREAL:—
Banks selling T T Rs. 302 1/2; D D Rs. 302 1/2
Banks buying T T Rs. 297 1/4; D D Rs. 295 3/4
Cross Rates Dol. 4.43/47.
JAVA:—
Banks selling T T Gld 56 3/4; D D Gld 56
Banks buying T T Gld 57 1/2; D D Gld 57 1/2
Cross Rates Gld 7.58/52.
JAPAN:—
Banks selling T T not quoting; D D not quoting.
Banks buying T T not quoting; D D not quoting.
Cross Rates Sh. 1/2 1/2.
BERNE:—
Banks selling T T Fcs 126 3/4; D D nil.
Banks buying T T Fcs 131 1/2; D D nil.
Cross Rates Fcs 17.30/40.
STOCKHOLM:—
Banks selling T T K 123; D D K 123
Banks buying T T K 128; D D K 128
Cross Rates K 16.85/95.
SINGAPORE:—
Banks selling T T Rs. 158; D D Rs. 158
Banks buying T T Rs. 155; D D Rs. 155
Cross Rates Sh. 2/4 5/32 7/32
HONGKONG:—
Banks selling T T Rs. 85 1/4; D D Rs. 84 1/2
Banks buying T T Rs. 81 1/2; D D Rs. 81 1/2.
Cross Rates Sh. 1/3 1/32
SHANGHAI:—
Banks selling T T not quoting; D D not quoting.
Banks buying T T not quoting; D D not quoting.
Cross Rates Sh. 0-3 3/16
MEXICO:—
Banks selling T T Rs. 67.27; D D 66.27
Banks buying T T Rs. 63.04; D D Rs. 62.04
Cross Rates Pec. 19.5 21.5.
LISBON:—
Banks selling T T Esc 7.35 nom; D D Esc 7.35 nom.
Banks buying T T Esc 7.55; D D Esc 7.55
Cross Rates Esc 99.80 100.20
NEW YORK:—
Cross Rate Dol 4.03 3/4
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Steady.
Gold £8/8/0 Ready
New York Silver 34 3/4
London Silver 23 1/2 Ready; 23 1/2 Forward.
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent
London Discounts 6 months 1 1/8 per cent.
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.
Money:—Call unquoted
1 to 2 months 1/4 per cent
3 to 6 months 1/2 per cent.
9 months 3/4 per cent.
Tone:—Very easy.

SHRI MAHAJAN ASSOCIATION

Bombay: November 24.

The following rates prevailed in the market on 24th day of November 1941:—

BROACH FULLY GOOD QUALITY
VAIDAS: APRIL/MAY 1941/42

11 a.m. (B.T.)	Rs. 240/4
12-30 p.m. (B.T.)	Rs. 241/0
1-30 p.m. (B.T.)	Rs. 240/12
2-30 p.m. (B.T.)	Settlement
4-30 p.m. (B.T.)	Rs. 240/8
April/May Highest	Rs. 241/4
April/May Lowest	Rs. 238/12

BOMBAY METALS

Bombay: November 24.

Yellow Metal Sheet	Rs. 102
Copper Sheets	Rs. 94

Tone:—Steady.

COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay: November 24.

	Extra Spr-fine.	Sup. Fine.	F. G.	Good
M G Bengal U.P.	149	146	143	140
M G Punjab	149	146	143	140

LINSEED AND WHEAT

Bombay: November 24.

Linseed May	9 5 9
Wheat January	5 12 3
Wheat May	6 14 0

SHIPPING NEWS.

IMPORTS

Bombay, November 24

184 cases cottons, 41 cases woollen and cotton pcegoods mixed, 200 dms Hydrosulphite of soda, 58 cases card clothing, 85 c/s cider, 30 c/s iron screws, 1220 boxes tin plate, 50 pkgs cycles and accessories, 304 pkgs machinery and parts, 100 D/bags flourspar, 95 mats empty glass jars, 495 pkgs accumulators, 413 dms dyestuffs, 200 D/bags carbonate of magnesia, 50 cases steel belt lacing, 3150 bags soda ash, 934 dms flake caustic soda, 1358 dms solid caustic soda, 30 drums lump carbonate of ammonia, 118 dms creosote, 200 dms Limbux, 640 kegs Hyposulphite of soda, 108 pkgs tannic acid, 379 lse tyres, 185 bdls copper rods, 450 dms lead ore, 48 dms chloride of zinc, 600 loose asbestos cement pipes, 45 cases window glass, 150 lse C I cisterns, 124 cts glazed tiles, 48 boxes logware extract solid, 699 ctns elect lamp.

EXPORTS

35 bales cotton grey yarn Keshavji Virji and Co; 45 bales cotton pcegoods Keshavji Virji and Co; 129 bales cotton pcegoods Cox and Kings (Agents) Ltd; 63 bales cotton pcegoods Vasanji Laiji and Sons; 32 bales cotton yarn Tulsidas Khimji; 99 bales cotton pcegoods Hiralal Ltd; 95 bales cotton pcegoods Tulsidas Khimji; 15 bales cotton grey yarn Dev and Co; 645 bales cotton pcegoods G N Musry; 433 bales cotton grey yarn G N Musry; 17 bales tanned leather M R Shaffi and Co; 222 bales cotton pcegoods S Mohanlal and Co; 68 bales cotton pcegoods R Shantilal and Co; 28 bs cotton pcegoods J Sakal; 121 bales cotton grey yarn J Sakel; 16 bales cotton pcegoods Hotchand Jawharmal; 50 bales cotton yarn The O'Connor Trading Corptn Ltd; 50 bales cotton pcegoods The O'Connor Trading Corptn Ltd; 100 bales cotton pcegoods Hariram Khiaram; 50 cases cotton yarn Pan Asiatic Overseas Co Ltd; 84 bales cotton pcegoods Bombay Textile Exporting Agency; 57 bales cotton pcegoods N Rubchand; 9 bales cotton pcegoods Chimanlal and Sons; 120 bags casein powder D Abraham and Sons; 200 bales cotton waste clean V A Save and Co; 78 bales cotton pcegoods R Shantilal and Co; 14 bales cotton pce goods N D Levy and Co; 88 bales cotton pcegoods Patel Bros; 100 bales cotton pcegoods C Popatlal; 46 bales cotton pcegoods Saleh Abdulla Bassam; 115 cases cotton pcegoods Hamed Ali Al-Kazi; 35 bales cotton grey yarn Hamed Ali Al-Kazi; 500 bales cotton waste clean Barot Bros and Co; 20 bales cotton pcegoods The Ahmedabad Advance Mills Ltd; 224 bales cotton pcegoods Italindia Cotton Co; 85 bags appricots Mangaldas and Co; 1400 bags gr nut oil cake expeller Kishan Prasad and Co Ltd; 50 bales cotton waste clean M Chandulal and Co; 100 bales cotton waste Manubhai Narotamdas and Co; 30 bags gum N Devidas and Co; 100 bales cotton pcegoods Textile Export Ltd; 269 bales cotton pcegoods A E Maskati; 140 bales cotton grey yarn M Sidique and Co; 140 bales cotton grey yarn A H Dandia; 10 bales cotton pcegoods Chinoobhai and Sons.

RESTRICTED MOVEMENT IN SHARE BAZAR

Moderate Support In Steels And Textiles

MARKET FEELING CONSTRUCTIVE

Bombay: November 24.

The announcement of the capture of Sidi Omar and Bardia, by British troops encouraged buyers in the local Stock Exchange and prices recovered few points. The tone was steady and buyers were cautious with a constructive feeling. It is true that our industries are doing well, but the disparity between cash and forward quotations in some scrips needs careful attention.

Under present trading methods wider differences are natural but there must be limit to disparity. Wider differences lack of investment support and a comparative study to ascertain individual scrip is essential as the same will show how far quotations are influenced by speculative support. These differences must be judged on a percentage basis of the ruling quotations. It is observed that Dyeings, Coabas, Finlays and Gokaks indicate large long interest, but Steel 162, NEW GREAT 285, PHOENIX 483, SIMPLEX 166, SWADESHI 437, SWAN 245, ASSOCIATED 170, ANDHRA VLY 750, BOM. TRAM 146, TATA HYDRO 185, TATA POWER 1720, SHIVRAJPUR 39, TATA STL. DF. 2180, TATA STL. OR. 410, ALCOCK 575, BELAPUR SUGAR 239, BOM. STEAM XD 382, BOMBAY BURMA 535, IND. BLEACHING 183, PREMIER CONST. 117.

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Bombay: November 24.

Bombay Dyeing (1442) 1445 1457 1451 1456 1445
Century (497) 497 503 506 499 500 499
Central India (472) 470 478 476 473 ...
Kohinoor (504) 506 604 611 606 609 606 605
New Great (380) 376 385 381 383 381
Simplex (216) 215 218 217 218 217
Swadeshi (515) 513 520 518 529 528 526/8
Associated Cement (178) 179 180 179/4 179
Tramways Ordinary (160) 161
Tata Hydro (190) 190
Tata Power (1830) 1830 1835
Tata Steel Defd. (2302) 2295 2310 2306 2316 2312 2322 2307
Tata Steel Ordinary (427) 426 430 429 431 428
Tata Steel 2nd Pref (153/12) 154/8
Belapur (283) 285 289 288 290 288
Bombay Steam (490) X-D 488
Bombay Burma (601) 597 600 595

shares are still comparatively better and with encouraging political news or solution of conversion of Defds into Ordinary shares may have very important effect.

On Saturday the Wall Street market was irregular. U. S. Steel shares declined 1/2 at 52 7/8 and Anaconda Copper shares were unchanged at 26 7/8. General Motors improved 1/8 at 37 3/8 dollars.

In the local market Tata Steel Defds opened at Rs. 2295 and advanced to Rs. 2320. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 426 and improved to Rs. 429. Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 1445 and hardened to Rs. 1456. Towards the close there was some liquidation in Tata Steel Defds. The market was narrow with a restricted business.

TEXTILES

	Bombay, Nov. 24.	
100 Ahmedabad Advance		398 0
250 BOMBAY DYEING		1445 0
100 CENTURY		499 0
100 Colaba		262 0
100 CENTRAL INDIA		473 0
100 Cooria		156 0
250 David		330 0
250 Dawn		635 0
1 E. D. Sassoon Defd		3 6 6
100 FINLAY		315 0
100 GOKAK		331 0
1000 Hindustan		2700 0
100 Indore		303 0
100 Khatau		315 0
100 KOHINOOR		605 0
250 LAXMI		761 0
100 MORARJI		513 0
250 Model		245 0
50 MYSORE		132 0
200 NEW GREAT		381 0
100 Osmanshahi		253 0
100 Podar		254 0
100 Phoenix		482 0
25 Sassoon Silk		102 0
1000 Sholapur		6200 0
50 SIMPLEX		217 0
100 SWADESHI		526 0
100 SWAN		324 0
500 Vishnu		1600 0
1000 Western		1720 0
BANKS		
50-100 Baroda		119 0
25-50 Central		54 12
500 Imperial		1625 0
125-500 Imp. Conty		402 0
50-100 India		149 0
100 Reserve Bank		110 0
5 Union		7 8
CEMENTS		
100 ASSOCIATED		179 0
INSURANCE		
10-50 British India		13 0
100 Empire		727 0
15-100 Jupiter		17 8
20 Mercantile		74 8
15-75 New India		61 0
200 Oriental		4665 0
10-50 Vulcan		11 6
ELECTRIC		
100 Ahmedabad Old		187 0
1000 ANDHRA VALLEY		1762 0
10 Ajmer		13 0
50 BOMBAY TRAM		161 0
100 Bombay Suburban		188 2
10 Broach		13 6
100 Karachi		211 4
100 Poona		217 8
100 Surat		190 0
1000 TATA HYDRO		190 0
1000 TATA POWER		1835 0
RAILWAYS		
500 Ahmedabad Prantij		685 0
100 C. Province		111 0
100 Dhond Baramati		104 4
100 Gujarat		105 0
100 Mandra Bhon		107 0
100 Pachora Jamner		97 8
100 Sara Sirajganj		107 0
500 Tapti Valley X.D.		645 0
MININGS		
8 Burma Corp		4 15
8sh Indian Copper		2 9 6
10 Indian Iron and Steel		36 14
30 SHIVRAJPUR		54 0
16 Mysore Iron X D		14 0
36 TATA STEEL DEF		2307 0
75 TATA STEEL ORD		428 0
100 Steel Corporation		22 8
MISCELLANEOUS		
100 ALCOCK		690 0
10 Air Services		2 14
50 BELAPUR SUGAR		285 0
200 Bombay Safe Dep.		650 0
250 BOMBAY STEAM XD		488 0
150 B Burma		595 0
50 Burma Contry		192 0
8sh Br B Petrol		3 12 9
100 IND BLEACHING		255 0
50 Ind Invest Trust		61 0
100 Indian Radio Def.		660 0
100 Indian Radio Ord		630 0
100 Port Canning		93 4
30 PREMIER Con. XD		136 0
15 Scindia		28 12
25 Tata Oil		72 0
10 Tata Chemical		18 0
100 Wimco		226 0
PREFERENCE		
7 p.c Andhra Valley		1560 0
6 p.c. Bombay Steam		325 0
7 pc Bom Tram (TF)		82 0
5 p.c Central India (TF) X.D.		645 0
6 1/4 p.c. Prem Const 1st		122 0
6 1/4 p.c. Prem Const 2nd		118 0
7 p.c. Tata Hydro		160 8
7 1/2 p.c Tata Power XD		1655 0
6 p.c Tata Steel 1st		216 0
1-1/2 p.c. Tata Steel 2nd		154 8
7 p.c. Vishnu		746 0
DEBENTURES		
3 3/4 p.c Andhra Valley Deb		106 12
4 p.c. Bombay Telephone		50 2
5 p.c. Morarji		104 0
7 p.c Sholapur		71 6

Cash Quotations were as under:—BOM. DYEING 1335, CENTURY 435, CENTRAL INDIA 380, COLABA 199, FINLAY 249, GOKAK 255, KOHINOOR 503, MORARJI 525, MYSORE

GROUNDNUTS AND SEEDS

Bombay: November 24.

		Rs. a.p.
Groundnuts February—		
Opening		44 6 0
Highest		44 14 0
Lowest		44 4 3
Closing		44 12 6
Cottonseeds January—		
Opening		24 10 0
Highest		24 13 6
Lowest		24 9 0
Closing		24 13 6
Cottonseeds May—		
Opening		42 12 0
Highest		43 6 0
Lowest		42 12 0
Closing		43 6 0

PEPPER AND GINGER

Bombay: November 24.

Alipal Pepper ready per candy	89 0 0
Maha Sud 15th	89 0 0
Chaitra Sud 15th	92 0 0
Ginger ready	38 0 0
Maha Sud 15th	29 4 0
Chaitra Sud 15th	30 0 0

METAL EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS

Bombay: November 24.

Copper sheets ib. 21—Rs. 107, 28—96/8, 35—95/8, 42—94/8, 49-56—93/8.

Brass sheets Flag Brand ib 20-21—Rs. 118, 24—114, 28—112, 35—107, 42—106, 49-56—106.

Spelter 'P.H.' Rs. 61, Rosita Rs. 59. Country make Rs. 50, Pigiead 'B.M.' refined Rs. 25 per cwt.

Tin Ingot Penang Rs. 53/8 per qr.

SETTLEMENT RATES:—

Copper sheets Posh 95/12, Chaitra 96/12 Pigiead B.M. Mag 25, Maha 23/6. Tin Ingot Penang Mag 52/12, Maha 53/4.

Market tone:—Firm.

Yarn And Silk Merchants Quotations

Bombay: November 24.

	Rs. a.p.
64/2 Koru Nissin—	
Spot	38 2 0
November	38 3 0
December	38 14 0
84/2 Koru Nissin—	
Spot	44 0 0
November	44 2 0
December	44 12 0
62/2 Any—	
Spot	3 12 0
November	3 13 0
December	4 12 9
80/2 Any—	
Spot	4 0 3
November	4 0 3
December	4 1 0
150 Any—	
Spot	3 8 0
November	3 8 0
December	3 9 0

COLOMBO QUOTATIONS

Colombo: November 24.

Price of rubber in the local market was sheet 56, crepe 57 1/2. Saturday's closing prices were the same.

Copra 35.25. Cocoanut oil F.O.B. 330.00 nominal.

BOMBAY YARN QUOTATIONS

HEDGE CONTRACT RATES

Bombay: November 24.

Yarn No.	December	February	April
6 1/2s	230	231	233
10 1/2s.	270	265	260
20 1/2s.	465	445	432
40s.	570	575	580

Quotations for 6 1/2s, 10 1/2s and 40s are nominal.

GOVT. SECURITIES

Bombay, Nov. 24.

2 3/4 per cent 1948/57 Loan	98-1
3 1/2 per cent G P Notes	96-0
3 per cent 1951/52 Loan	99-12
3 per cent 1949/52 Loan	100-0
4 per cent 1961/70 Loan	111-0
4 per cent 1943 Bonds	103-13
3 per cent War Bonds	102 0
4 1/2 per cent 1955 Loan	114-13
TAX FREE LOANS	
5 per cent 1845/55 Loan	110-15
4 per cent 1953/63 Mysore	116-0
5 per cent 1955 Mysore	128-8
CORPORATION DEBENTURE	
4 per cent B P T 1947	111-8
4 per cent M Deb 1947	110-8
5 per cent M Deb 1965	116-8
6 per cent M Deb 1954	129 0
6 per cent K P T 1956	129 8

Trend: Steady.

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay: November 24.

On Saturday London markets were closed. London Gold was quoted at £8/8/0. Dollar Sterling cross rate was 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 at London and 4.03 3/4 at New York.

London spot and forward silver quotations were placed at 23 1/2d and New York spot silver stood at 34 3/4 cents. London Bombay spot and forward silver parity was Rs. 62/10/3. The local market was steady with a slightly improved demand for gold.

Quotations were as under: Gold / Silver

Ready	Rs. 43 15 0	63 1 0
Magsar	Rs. 43 13 6	62 15 6
Posh	Rs. 43 12 9	62 15 0

Sovereigns: Rs. 29/9.

SUGAR MARKET

Bombay: November 24.

Fine White Java Sugar per cwt—
Java Ready from Bond Rs. 14
African from Bond Rs. 13
Shipment September Rs. 10/8 F.B.H.
Indian Sugars Ready—
Ordinary Rs. 15/12 to 16/8
Large grain Rs. 16/9 to 17/4.
Tone:—Steady.

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IN LIBYA:

Pipeline Between Bardia And Sollum Cut

New Zealanders Make Big Advance From Fort Capuzzo

OCCUPY MAIN ADVANCE BASE AND SPRINGBOARD FOR HITLER'S INVASION OF EGYPT

CAIRO, Nov. 24.

New Zealand forces have cut a pipeline between Bardia and Sollum thus increasing the difficulties of the enemy forces in the frontier area.

Bardia the main advance base for General Rommel's African corps and the springboard for Hitler's invasion of Egypt has been occupied by New Zealanders advancing from Fort Capuzzo.

A Cairo G.H.Q. 'communique' on Sunday gives news of this important strategical success which has come five days after the start of General Cunningham's attack.

While detailed reports from the battlefield are lacking the general position is becoming clearer. The Libyan fighting as the Prime Minister said is like a naval battle with isolated units of varying sizes moving over some parts of the battlefield fighting each other or attempting to harry each other's supplies.

In the centre around Sidi Barazegh a great armoured formation like two grand fleets are locked in combat their tanks dashing about at great speed and fighting—firing then drawing off to refuel and load up.

In the fighting they take advantage offered by every inch of cover in this area of wadis (dried up river beds) and ridges.

Axis Troops Cut Off From Food & Ammunition

It is now clear too how the offensive was launched. Leaning on fortified positions on the right flank to be contained by a strong force the British Eighth Army crashed in force over the Libyan frontier barbed wire entanglements.

Then units nearest to the fortifications having advanced sufficiently westward turned northwards and made for the sea which they reached at Bardia thus cutting off from water food and ammunition the Axis troops to east.

A great mass of armour and fire power on the left of these troops headed to the north-west in the direction of Tobruk encountering German armoured masses south-east of there where the battle is still raging.

At the same time the Tobruk garrison reinforced by tanks made a sally towards Axis forces.

Heavy Tank Battle

Reuter's Special Correspondent with the British troops in the Libyan frontier writes:

On Saturday afternoon, another heavy tank battle, one of the series which have taken place in the last four days began at an Axis aerodrome little to the south of Sidi Rezegh which has been occupied by the Imperial Force.

Eighty Nazi tanks were involved. Up to late in the afternoon the result was not known. It is believed that these eighty constitute the main Nazi tank strength still at large.

Sixty Italian tanks are supporting the Axis infantry at El Gubi and a small concentration has been sighted west of there.

Nazi Tanks In Flame

The fog of war still overhangs the battlefield and the tank losses on neither side can yet be precisely stated, but it is plain that the German panzer divisions have been given a tremendous blow.

The American military attache, Col. Fellers, had a rare opportunity of witnessing another tank battle earlier to-day when a column of German and Italian tanks ran southward with considerable impudence well into the Imperial occupied zone.

They were met by British tanks and a running fight developed with the contestants travelling on parallel lines at five miles per hour firing broadside into each other with devastating effect.

Several Nazi tanks burst into flames and about a dozen Axis tanks were left disabled on the battlefield the remainder withdrawing hurriedly northwards.

The thunder of this battle was heard by me more than 15 miles away but by the time we reached the area it was all over.

Dominion Troops Capture Many Prisoners

The Imperial Forces have inflicted crushing blows not only upon the Axis tanks but also on their artillery and in so doing the British have sustained losses which a year ago would have been serious, but to-day with their vastly increased strength in the Middle East are not great, the Germans are, however, putting up a savage resistance and have not yet been broken.

The Tobruk garrison pushing out have taken a handful of prisoners, the Imperial tanks there having met hard resistance but after a temporary withdrawal are returning to the fray.

At the other end of the front dominion troops on Saturday took a number of prisoners and captured Fort Capuzzo, meeting with little opposition in so doing.

They are strongly established on an escarpment beyond Sollum and Bardia which are both isolated and some of these forces are pushing westward from there to join the bigger battle before Tobruk.

All the Imperial units are completely motorised and can range at will in any direction regardless of natural obstacles which are in any case virtually non-existent.

100 Axis Tanks Knocked Out

Reuter's Special Correspondent with British advance troops in Libya writes:—

A vast and bloody game of chess is being played out in central Cyrenaica between the Egyptian frontier and Tobruk with thousands of fighting vehicles and supply vehicles being used instead of chessmen.

The situation on Friday night was confused in the centre where gangs of German tanks were reported at large endeavouring to cut our supply columns but nearer Tobruk our armoured forces are dealing brilliantly.

A considerable number of German tanks are being withdrawn westward after being pounced by ours.

So far, at least a hundred Axis tanks been knocked out, while our losses though not negligible are very much less.

Our forces hold the aerodrome of Sidi Rezegh where they captured eight German officers and 50 other ranks and are strongly in position between this point and Tobruk whose garrison has broke out and is pushing south-eastwards.

Nazi Tanks Cut Off From Bases

The Captain who is a well-known South African bowler, knocked out two enemy tanks with two shots.

A support group coming up behind our tanks near Tobruk is being attacked from more than one side but, it is said, to be holding more than its own.

A heavy tank engagement is reported proceeding throughout the day on the central front of the battle which is taking place behind the position directly before us, which is being held by Italians probably supported by Nazi gunners who are offering a stubborn resistance.

Our tanks have cut off the Nazi tanks from their bases and they on the other hand are between us and their jumping off places. The difference is that we are there in great force while their resistance is on a lessening scale The Axis forces are on the defensive.

To-day Free French bombers joined the fray and plastered Nazi positions.

415 Italian Tanks Destroyed

Reuter's special correspondent with the British troops on the battle-field of Bir El Gubi writes:

I am writing this despatch on the battle-field of Bir El Gubi where British tanks clashed for the first time in this campaign with Italian tanks. Four hundred and fifteen Mussolini's tanks were destroyed, this meaning one third of a whole armoured division.

Axis troops are holding a strong position at Bir El Gubi itself whence they are now shelling us.

END OF U. S. COAL MINE DISPUTE

Both Sides Agree To Accept Roosevelt's Arbitration Plan

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.

Full production in the mines affected by the coal dispute is expected to be resumed on Monday following the Unions' agreement to accept President Roosevelt's suggestion for a three-man arbitration board.

The board's deliberations are expected to begin shortly, possibly to-morrow, to settle the issue of the Union shop in captive mines.

Both sides are bound to accept the results of this board's decision.

There has been grumbling among some miners who feel that this is an inadequate result for a week's strike.—Reuter.

125,000 Workers March To Presidential Palace

HAVANA, Nov. 24.

The greatest labour demonstration in Cuba ever seen took place yesterday when in a parade lasting more than five hours 125,000 workers marched to the Presidential Palace demanding that Col. Batista (President), should signify open support for the countries fighting Fascism and pledging all help, to Russia, Britain and China.

All the unions are contributing one day's wage from each of their members to the fund for allied relief.

Cuban labour has pledged full support to Colonel Batista in the event of any steps he may take against the Axis.—Reuter.

Nazis Buy Up Chain Of Cinemas In Unoccupied France

LONDON, Nov. 19.

The latest example of the tightening of the German grip on France is the purchase by the Nazis of a chain of cinemas in the unoccupied zone, cabled the "Daily Telegraph" Special Correspondent in Lisbon on November 18. A Franco-German production company, whose policy is controlled by Goebbels, has been formed to organise these cinemas for Nazi propaganda.

The company's first purchase, comprising a group of seven picture houses in Marseilles and others in Cannes and Nimes, was made for £240,000 (at the pre-war rate of exchange).

British Airways Chief Visits India

The Hon W. L. Runciman, A.F.C., Director General of British Overseas Airways Corporation, is expected to arrive in Karachi in the course of a general inspection trip of the route between Durban and Sydney. He will spend a few days in Karachi, Delhi and Calcutta on his way through India and will stop at Bangkonk, between services.

The death has occurred of Lt.-Col. Charles Archer, late of the Political Department, Government of India, and Revenue Commissioner of Baluchistan, at the age of 61.—Reuter.

Harriman Assures Britain Of Continuous U. S. Aid

SAYS HELPING SOVIET IN NO WAY COMPROMISES ATTITUDE TOWARDS COMMUNISM

LONDON, Nov. 24.

Increasing American supplies and American aid to Britain in the battle of the Atlantic, the battle of Libya and the battle of Russia were described on Sunday night by Mr. Averell Harriman, United States Lease and Lend Representative in Britain.

Broadcasting from London he said: "We Americans are grateful to you for using so well what we are able to send. You have been patient when we had been slow.

Questions you have asked—why and how things are moving—why we have strikes—why has our production been so slow—when will we get into the war.

But you have been understanding largely because you remembered the period you went through. It is hard for peace-loving democracies to involve themselves in war.

We have been educated to believe that our oceans are our Maginot Lines, securing us against the strife of the old world.

The losses of our shipments to Britain in the battle of the Atlantic led us to commence our naval patrol and subsequently our convoy in order to keep us out of the war. Now our navy is shooting still to keep us out of the war.

No Peace With Hitlerism

But during these months the words 'Keep us out of the war' have come and have a new meaning. We know that now we can have no peace until Hitlerism is destroyed. With the repeal, last week, of the remaining restrictive provisions of the Neutrality Act, our ships will now enter ports in the combat zone.

Our shipbuilding programme, both naval and merchant, is well ahead of schedule. Ships built in dockyards which were mud flats less than a year ago are now at sea. The American nation intends to see that you get the supplies we promised.

"Our tanks, aircraft, and other supplies have reached your forces in the Middle East. They have been carrying your soldiers in the battle raging in the Libyan desert. Out there I talked to your pilots flying American-built Tomahawks and Marylands.

Those pilots had confidence in our American planes. The hearts of all Americans are with your troops in the desert battle tonight and we hope—we pray—that our tanks and planes are serving them well. We feel that we can claim a share in this critical battle.

Aid To Soviet—But No Communism

Our American equipment is beginning to find its way to another front—the Russian. I was sent by the President recently with the American Mission to Moscow with Lord Beaverbrook.

I endorse all that Lord Beaverbrook has said about this journey and what we saw. Russia will fight on. We in America want no Communism in our country. Many people at first did not understand the significance of Russia's fight.

I believe our trip to Moscow and your prompt action helped to clear the way for the all-out assistance that we are now giving.

I believe that most Americans now see clearly that THE AID TO RUSSIA IN HER FIGHT AGAINST NAZI INVASION IN NO WAY COMPROMISES OUR ATTITUDE TOWARDS COMMUNISM.

We learned some thing that helped to explain why the Russians have belied the early pessimistic forecasts of their resistance. Two American air officers have been a couple of months in Russia helping to assemble American aircraft and teaching Russian pilots how to fly them.

These American officers told me that Russian pilots adapted themselves more quickly to our planes with less accidents than would have a similar group of American pilots.

Soviet Mechanic Sets Example

The much maligned Russian mechanic shows skill, ingenuity and will to work which would be an example to mechanics here or in another country. From daylight to dark, 14 hours daily, these men are working in the open, disregarding rain or cold. Our young air officers had arrived spectical but became convinced by their daily contact that the Russians would make good use of all we could send.

A number of our party saw airplanes during construction also in as many factories as we had time to see. These were equipped with the latest American and British mechine-tools and manage by men who had studied production methods in the United States and Britain.

The workmanship and organisation were good and the product—the Soviet airplane—a competent combat weapon. We found workmen ready to return on their weekly day of rest to work without pay to help increase production.

Stalin Is Convinced

Lord Beaverbrook told you about our talks with M. Stalin. M. Stalin was direct in his dealings with us. He told us exactly what he needed and asked what he would do about each item. He knows supply problems. His is the brain directing the Russian armies.

He has an amazing knowledge of equipment details and in fact corrected LORD BEAVERBROOK ON THE HORSE-POWER OF THE MERLIN ENGINE IN THE LATEST HURRICANE. He found this amusing. When the Conference began, he was not sure whether Britain or the United States meant business.

Before the Conference was over he was no longer doubting. I was interested to learn what had been done to move the Russian factories from the over-run areas to satisfy in the east according to pre-arranged plans. In the plants we visited machine tools were numbered and heavy machines were ready to be moved at a moments' notice.

The operator goes with his machine in the same railway wagon, ready to set it up and operate it at the new site. He is ready to accept and hardship to have his opportunity to work again and do his share.

Everywhere we found the same determination—the will to fight is in the Russian heart and confidence too in the final outcome.

You have set the United States a fast pace in the supplies you are pouring into Russia.

Tribute To Churchill

Mr. Churchill with characteristic vigour lost not a single hour giving the necessary commands, and when Lord Beaverbrook returned, he saw that item by item was released in quantities needed. Nothing was allowed to stand in the way.

I pay a tribute to Mr. Churchill's leadership and Lord Beaverbrook's energy and resourcefulness. The response too of the British people—your demands for even greater action has been an inspiration.

You have set the pace—you can have the confidence that we will do our share.

President Roosevelt is determined as Mr. Churchill. He understands clearly the destructive forces that are loose in the world and the inter-dependency of American destiny with that of the British. He hates Hitler and all he stands for with the same burning hatred as Mr. Churchill.

Much is being said to-day in Britain and America of the hope of the future in the will of the two nations to walk side by side with a common aim and action. Out of the Roosevelt-Churchill meeting has come "The eight points".

Yet in spite of all that we have in common, there is still much to be mutually learned if suspicions are to be set aside and we are to work together. It will not be easy-patience and sacrifice will be needed on both sides.

Yet it is ours to do. The hope of all freedom-loving people is at stake. But the war is our immediate task. The American people in ever-increasing numbers have understood this. Isolationism as a national policy is a thing of the past. What part we will play in the fight to victory I cannot prophesy but I know as need unfolds you will not find us lacking."—Reuter.

6,000 Axis Troops Lost

ANKARA, Nov 24.

It was because of the failure either to prevent or be able to retallate against the British attack on an Italian convoy, in which all ten vessels were sunk that the Italian Air Chief resigned recently, according to high neutral diplomatic quarters here.

The same source states that 6,000 Axis troops were lost as a result of this attack as well as large quantities of ammunition badly needed for Libya. Informants confirm that Italian morale is extremely low.—Reuter.

DOCK STRIKE IN COLOMBO

COLOMBO, Nov. 24.

Fifteen hundred dock labourers are on strike in Colombo harbour as a protest against alleged delay in the publication of the report of a commission which was appointed by the Governor following a strike in July last. Four arrests were made by the police. —A. P.

Industrial Conditions In Ceylon

LUCKNOW, Nov. 24.

Ceylon's Deputy Director of Industries, Mr. Somasundaram, is now in Lucknow in the course of his tour. He is visiting important industrial centres in the country and making contacts with Government and industrial agencies with a view to see how far Ceylon's industries could adopt their ways. He has already visited Bombay, Delhi, Cawnpore and other places.—A. P.

CURTIN EXPLAINS LEASE-LEND HITCHES

CANBERRA, November 24.

The Prime Minister Mr. Curtin today denied suggestions that the changes of Government in Australia have been followed by hitches in the Lease and Lend negotiations with the United States.

The United States had not asked the Commonwealth to guarantee not to expand or introduce new industries in Australia, because the benefits to be derived from the Lease and Lend provisions.

Mr. Curtin said that discussions were now proceeding with the United States concerning primary products and particularly the effect on the marketing of Australian primary products (which were now surplus production) of the United States supplies of primary products to the United Kingdom under the Lease and Lend Act.—Reuter.

Volunteers From Occupied Countries For Germany

VICHY, November 24.

Volunteers from Holland, Finland, Norway and Denmark who will fight for Germany on the Russian front have been formed into two regiments and will form a division to be called the "Viking" division, according to a Vichy Official News Agency message quoting the Berlin correspondent of the "Stockholm Tidingen". —Reuter.

Edgar Wallace's Detective Story Day By Day

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